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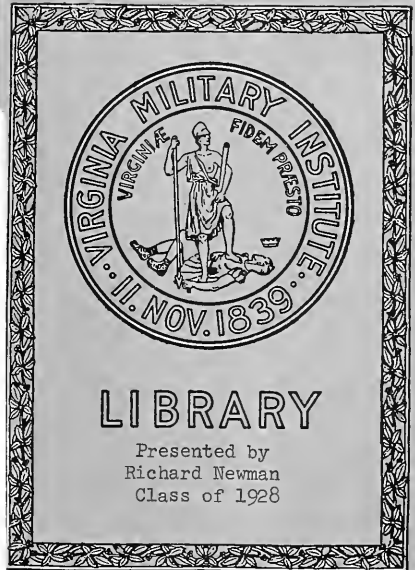
Lexington, Virginia



Program of Exercises

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FRIDAY, JUNE 7, 1968

CORPS OF CADETS DAY

- 9:00 a.m. Board of Visitors meeting.
- 12:00 noon Luncheon Meeting, Board of Trustees, VMI Foundation, Inc., Officers Mess.
- 3:00 p.m. Review before Board of Visitors for presentation of military and athletic awards, Parade Ground.
- 4:00 p.m. Presentation of awards in scholastic competitions, Superintendent's Office.
- 8:30 p.m. Superintendent's Reception.
- 10:00 p.m. Final Ball, William H. Cocke '94 Hall.

SATURDAY, JUNE 8, 1968

ALUMNI DAY

- 9:00 a.m. Board of Directors, VMI Alumni Association, with Annual Meeting, Membership, VMI Foundation, Inc., to follow, Chemistry Building Auditorium.
- 11:00 a.m. Alumni Review, Parade Ground.
- 11:40 a.m. Annual Meeting, VMI Alumni Association, Jackson Memorial Hall.
- 12:00 noon Dinner for Corps of Cadets and announcement of appointments in the Regiment of Cadets.

- 1:30 p.m. Alumni Luncheon, Crozet Hall.
- 2:30 p.m. Commissioning ceremonies, Jackson Memorial Hall.
- 3:30 p.m. Graduation Parade, Parade Ground.
- 8:00 p.m. Glee Club Concert, Jackson Memorial Hall.
- 9:00 p.m. Graduation Hop, William H. Cocke '94 Hall.

SUNDAY, JUNE 9, 1968

GRADUATION DAY

- 10:00 a.m. Baccalaureate Sermon, Jackson Memorial Hall, Rear Admiral James W. Kelly, Chief of Chaplains, U. S. Navy
- 2:00 p.m. Commencement Exercise, in front of Preston Library.
 1. Invocation, The Reverend Robert K. Wilson, Chaplain, VMI.
 2. Valedictory Address, Cadet George W. Squires, Richmond, Virginia.
 3. Announcement of Honors.
 4. Address to the Graduates, The Honorable J. Randolph Tucker, Jr., Judge of the Hustings Court, City of Richmond, Virginia
 5. Conferring of Degrees.
 6. Presentation of Commissions.
 7. Benediction, The Reverend Robert K. Wilson.

Bermuda shorts, slacks, and similar informal apparel are inappropriate for wear by ladies in Institute buildings and on the Parade Ground during formal ceremonies.

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VMI cadets pass in presidential review.

HONOR ABOVE SELF ...



The
Cadet Glee Club
of the
Virginia Military Institute

Allen G. Biester, Director
presents the 24th Annual



FINALS CONCERT



IN HONOR
OF THE
CLASS OF 1968.



Saturday, June 8, 1968 8:00 P.M.
Jackson Memorial Hall

From the first moment . . . a choice



PROGRAM

Praeludium: Music for Brass & Organ

Trumpet Voluntary in D Purcell

Canzona per Sonare No. 2 Gabrieli

Fugue in G-Minor Bach

Trumpet I: John Haring French Horn: Warren Wagner

Trumpet II: Kenneth Yorgey Organ: Allen G. Biester

Domine Salvum Fac Gounod

Once, Twice, Thrice I Julia Tried Purcell

Canon for nine parts Pammelia

J'ay le rebours Certon

Nun komm der Heiden Heiland (Chorale Fantasia) Biester

Waltzing Matilda Australian Folk Song

— PRESENTATION OF AWARDS —

De Animals a-comin' Spiritual

Shenandoah River Chantey

Soloist: Michael Hannum

I'll Never Stop Loving You & More arr. Biester

Medley from "Carousel" Rodgers

* The VMI Blues arr. Biester

Meadowlands arr. Biester

Timpani: John Scott Triangle: Alvin Smith

Gong: Courtney Apperson Cymbals: Roger Gough

The Spirit of VMI Bowering

Floral arrangements courtesy of
THE FLOWER CENTER
Lexington, Va.

The Glee Club's latest 33 1/3 LP album including many of the
above selections is on sale in the foyer of JM Hall and at the
VMI Post Exchange. Cost: \$5.00. Stereophonic only.

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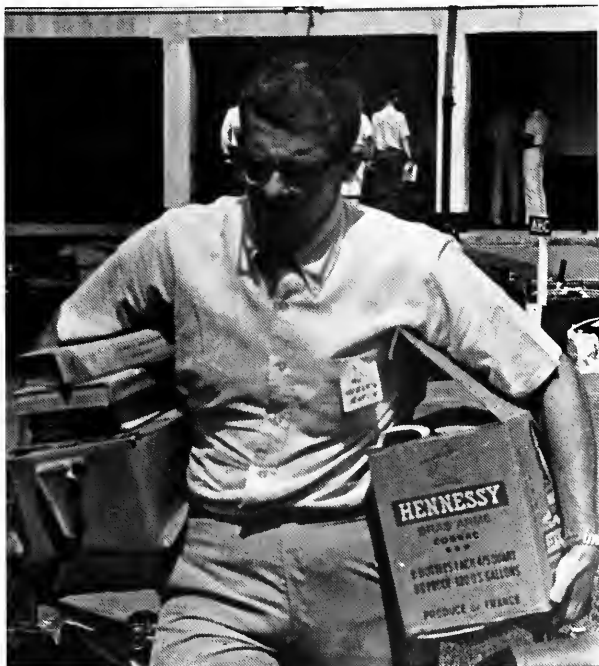
Theodore E. Leduc, '68

Walter T. Judd, '69





Clawing for a niche in a strange environment . . . In the suffering of the rat, an indication of the future . . .







A future which many will never find . . .

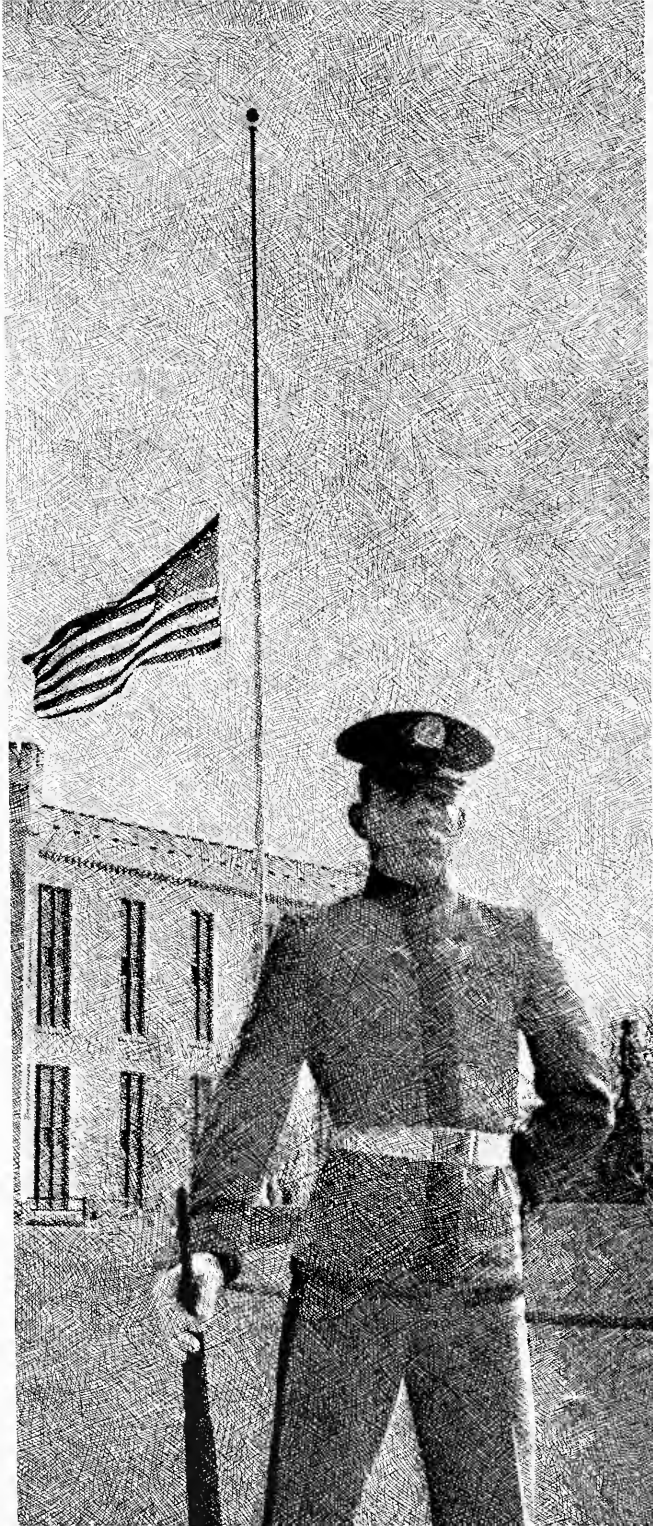


The decision . . . to remain . . .



A burden of obligation . . . to traditional VMI . . .





school, parents,
class . . .



country . . .



For the majority . . . submission to routine

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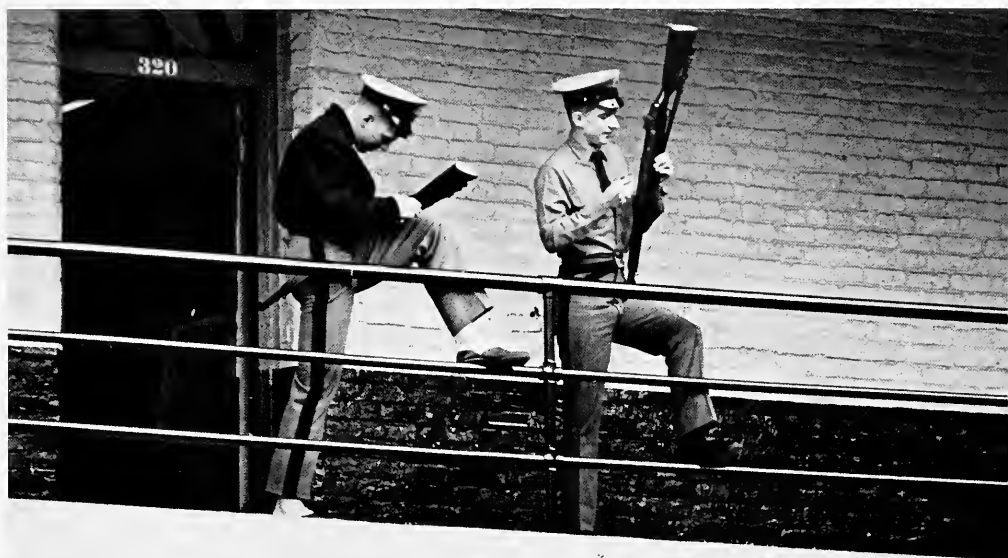
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an acknowledgement of obligation . . .



For some, routine is not enough . . .



The individual demands expression . . .

competition . . .



Others excell in academic or military achievement . . .









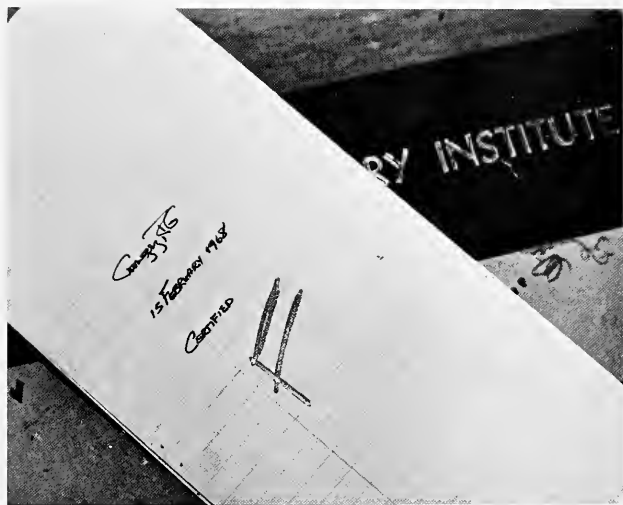


But some find little of true value . . .

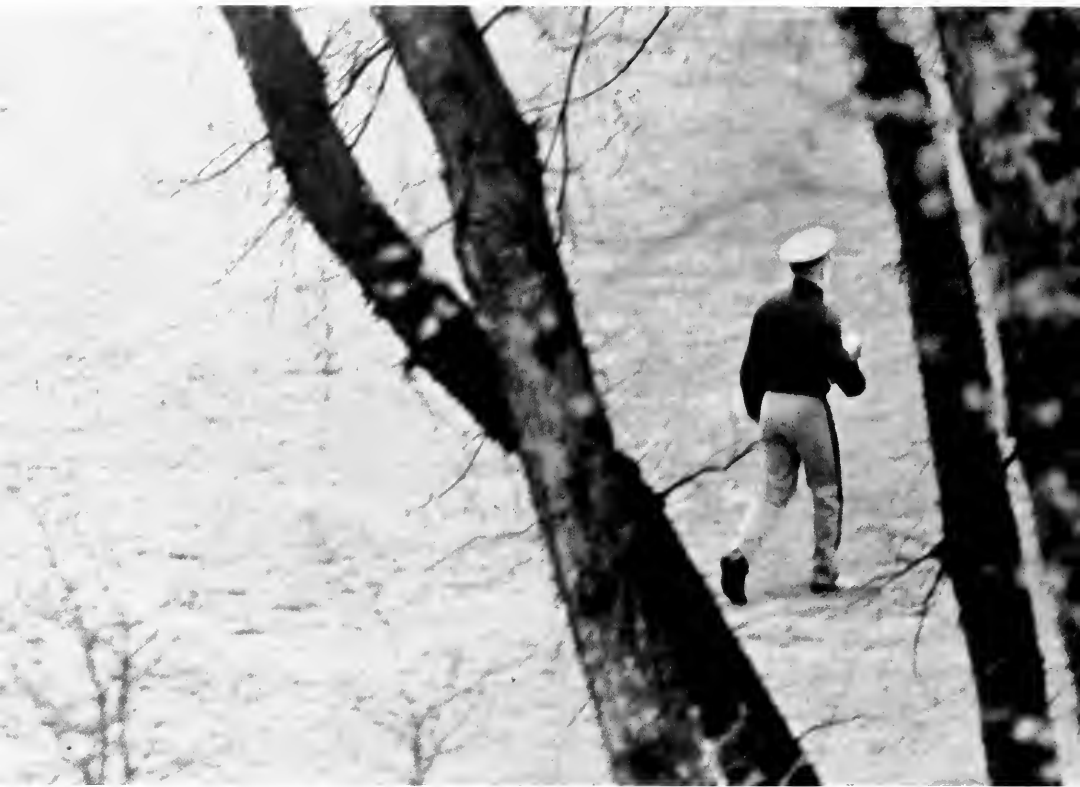




To deny responsibility is easy . . .




Disillusionment is an excuse . . .



The outsider tires even of this . . .





Within an order there must be some who are disillusioned . . .



the individual accepts the value in disillusionment . . .

The value is not one of law . . . but of personal integrity . . .





“One must find the source within one’s own self,

one must possess it. Everything else was seeking—a detour, error.”
—*Hesse*



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Captain James C. West

Brother Rat West—that is the way Captain James C. West has become known to the First Class. The term “Brother Rat” has always been used to mean friend and fellow sufferer. It also means respect, honor, and that certain brand of love peculiar to VMI men. This is the type of love which only results from true appreciation and mutual understanding. For these and many more reasons we feel honored to use this title for a man who is far above us in wisdom and generosity and for most a model to be emulated in later life.

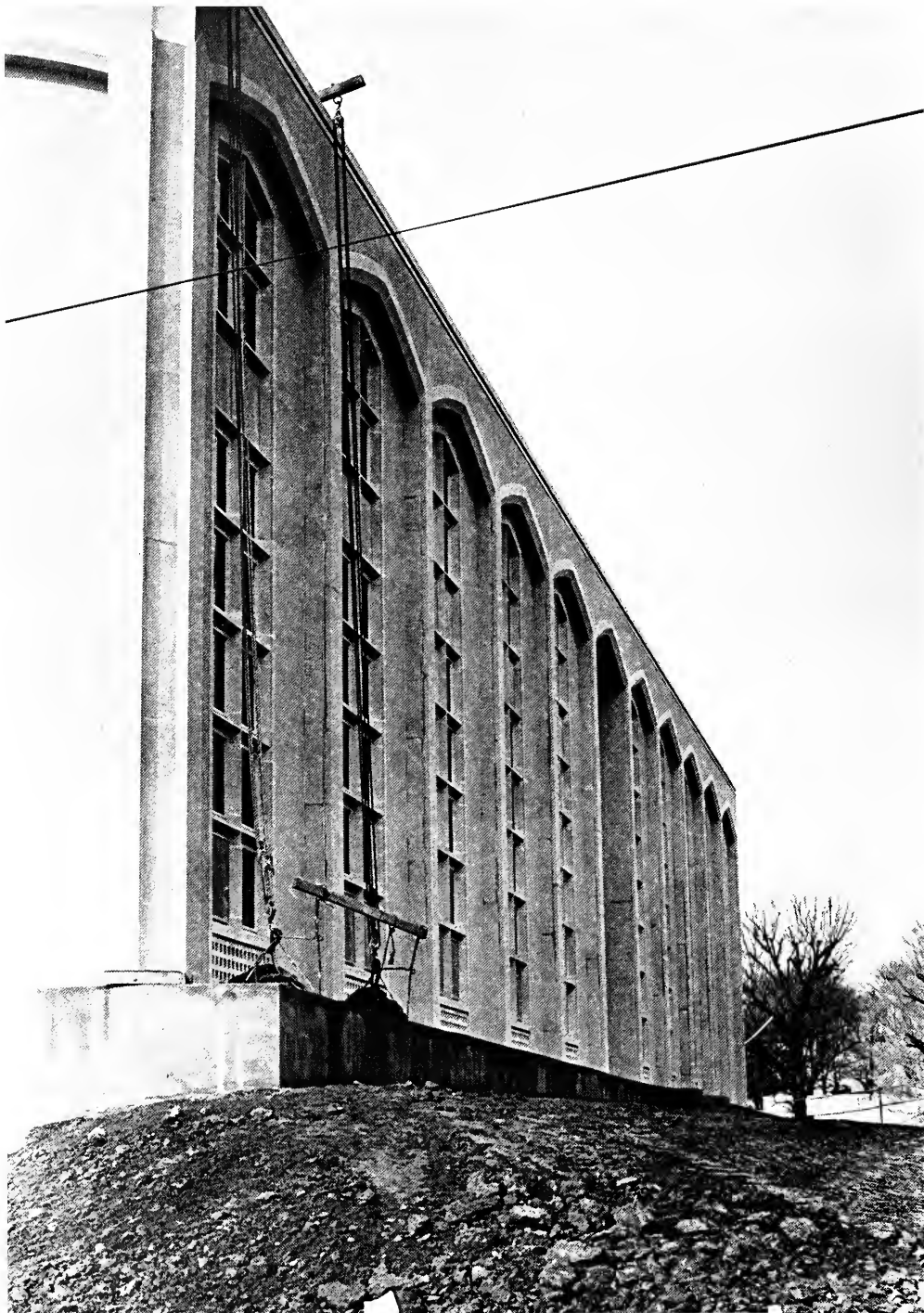
While we sit selfish in our own graduation, Captain West has been doing graduate work in law, helping the scouting organizations to build strong men, and giving much needed aid and counseling to us and the other classes in barracks. All this in addition to his regular job with the Air Force. There is, however, one type of person whom Captain West will not help—the man who is not willing to help himself. The man who has a legitimate problem and who has tried every way he knows to honestly extradite himself has never found Captain West’s door closed.

DEDICATION



Captain West has been more than instrumental in moulding the attitudes of the Corps. His aid has always been available to any cadet with a problem, whether this problem be legal, personal, or military. He has always had the time and the patience to hear and to advise on each and every situation brought to his attention. Even the Commandant's office is not sacred if he feels a cadet has been unjustly treated.

Unlike other officers, Captain West has never given cadets the impression that his care is just superficial, nor has he made any cadet fear to approach him on any matter. His care is genuine, as his problems often take second place to those of the cadet. He has never used his position as a weapon, although the bone is the tool and the might of the Tactical Staff. Genial attitude, sound advice, and a sense of fair play, often make the bone unnecessary in his work. This makes the uniform he wears unneeded to gain respect, as the respect is incorporated within the make-up of the man himself.





Mac Parrish and John Royster store themselves in the stairway.

KILBOURNE HALL

This year witnessed the latest step in General Shell's extensive program to expand and improve the facilities at the Institute. Added to the growing list of new buildings, Kilbourne Hall stands as an indication of the progressive-mindedness of the Administration. This building serves as classrooms for the Military and Air Science Departments. It also houses one of the most modern and well equipped rifle ranges in the country.

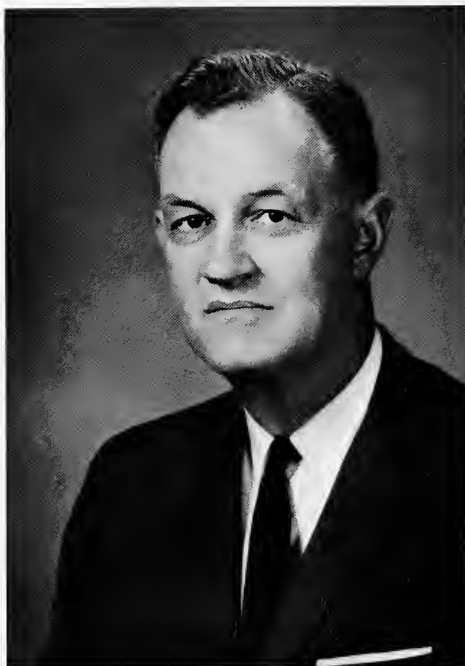
As with all new things, however, there are certain minor defects. The most obvious defect seems to be the lack of space. This was felt by the Corps as soon as the building was opened, but it will be felt even more in the future if the Institute continues to expand at its present rate. Although this problem will not become a major one for five or ten years, it is felt that serious thought should be given to it now.







INSTITUTE



Mills E. Godwin—Governor of Virginia



BOARD OF VISITORS

Front row: Marvin Gillespie, Tazewell; Barbour N. Thornton, Richmond; J. Randolph Tucker, Jr., Richmond, President of the Board; Major General George R. E. Shell, Superintendent; Lieutenant General Edward M. Almond, Anniston, Ala.; Robert C. Watts, Jr., Lynchburg. **Back row:** Lieutenant Colonel R. M. Harper, VMI treasurer and secretary of the Board; John D. deButts, New York City; Gorham B. Walker, Jr., Lynchburg; C. E. Thurston, Jr., Norfolk; John W. Burrell, Salem; Robert L. Wallace, Chase City; and George G. Phillips, Virginia Beach.

Three members of the Board were not present when the photograph was made—Major General Paul M. Booth, Adjutant General of Virginia, Richmond; Herman H. Pevler, Roanoke; and Ernest H. Williams, Jr., Richmond.

Organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, the Virginia Military Institute is governed by a Board of Visitors. The Board is composed of fifteen members, eleven coming from the state at large, two non-resident alumni, and two "ex officio" members. Due to the uniqueness of the Institute, the majority of the Board must be alumni. In all, ten of the members are graduates of the Institute. They are appointed by the Governor and approved by the State Senate. The Governor of Virginia, His Excellency, Mills E. Godwin, is the Commander-in-Chief. The Honorable J. Randolph Tucker, Jr., a graduate of VMI, is serving as President of the Board for the current session.

The Board of Visitors is required to meet at least once a year, but usually meets more often. In addition to this, the Superintendent is empowered to call the Board into session at any time he feels it necessary to do so.



MAJOR GENERAL GEORGE R. E. SHELL

Superintendent

Of all the positions in the field of education in the state of Virginia, the most difficult and thankless is, without a doubt, that of Superintendent at VMI. With the increasing stress in the seven military colleges toward civilianization, the maintenance of a rigorous and character-building system steeped in tradition becomes more and more of a chore. Such a job demands a man who realizes the benefits of such a system and who has the fortitude to stand up for what he believes.

The precariousness of this position is not often realized by those outside the Corps. As the President of a College, he has tremendous responsibilities. It is this man who can make a college expand and keep up with the times, or fall behind and be forgotten. As President, General Shell has initiated the largest building program ever undertaken at VMI. He has also raised the academic standards, which proportionately increases the value of the diplomas. He has made possible a larger and better qualified faculty and has made VMI a well-known college, not because of its tradition, but because of its ability to adhere to the changing standards of a complex educational system. In this role, General Shell emerges as one of the last Superintendents VMI has known.

The position of Superintendent at VMI is not an enviable one. He is constantly involved in his duties both as president of the college and as overall commander of the Corps of Cadets. Though each job in itself demands his fullest attention, of necessity, he must constantly divide his time between them.

Unfortunately, from the point of view of the Corps, one aspect of his position has suffered. In terms of advancing standards, and an extensive building program, things here at VMI have never been so good. But if such increased academic demands are to become tolerable to the cadet, the Superintendent's concern and success as college president must inevitably involve his greater awareness of the competitive demands made on the cadet by the non-academic staff.

Though we have talked about the lack of administration-student communication for years none of the talking has produced tangible results. While we believe the Corps recognizes that the Superintendent is not the originator of the "good deal," he is ultimately responsible for every action of his subordinates. Perhaps it is they, on whom he must inevitably rely as sensors of cadet opinion—they, perhaps, who are responsible for not a credibility, but certainly a communications gap.

Col. George H. Simpson—Executive Officer



Jackson E. Tice—Alumni Association Secretary



ADMINISTRATION



In this age of the supercollege it is remarkable that VMI has been able to survive . . . The engineering of quality education requires understanding of the psychology of the student . . . By necessity the needs of VMI may differ from those of the cadet. All new buildings cannot be classrooms . . . The ROTC system imposes certain requirements that must be fulfilled for obtaining a commission . . . Every action cannot be explained . . . So much depends on money . . . for professors . . . for scholarships . . . for a corps building . . . for electric lights and running water . . . The creation of an educational environment has its roots in the dollar . . .

Jorge R. Piercy—Treasurer's Office



Lt. Col. P. Allan Carlsson—Registrar, Assistant to the Dean



Col. Arthur M. Lipscomb, Jr.—Director of Admissions



Across the parade ground the end product is wondering why.

Lt. Col. R. Marlowe Harper—Treasurer



Joseph L. Presbrey, Jr.—Director of Public Relations





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"This has been the happiest of my twenty-five years in the Army." These words were spoken by Lloyd L. Leech after his promotion to Brigadier General in November . . . a promotion that necessitated the departure of one of the finest men VMI has seen in a long time. Through a long, close association with the Institute, General Leech realized that there was a desperate need for change within the system at VMI. As a graduate himself and having seen his son spend four years at the Institute, he knew that the system was sound. The fault must lie, therefore, in the manner in which the system was being used. In his term as Commandant, General Leech consistently put the best interests of the Corps first. His fairness and willingness to listen to the complaints and desires of a mature Corps, and to do something about these things, became the basis for the deep respect each and every cadet held for him. He knew the Corps, felt its problems, and acted in its best interest.

Words cannot express the admiration of the Corps for this fine man. He became the ideal of everyone who knew him, for his decisions were always tempered with fairness and his goals were the goals of the Corps. The end product was the feeling that there must be something good in a system which is capable of producing such a man.



Seated: Col. D. C. France, Commandant. **Standing, left to right:** Lt. Col. S. S. Gillespie, Deputy Commandant; Maj. S. C. Harris, Assistant Commandant; and Maj. J. T. Undercoffer, Deputy Commandant.

COMMANDANT AND STAFF

The mission of the Commandant and Staff is to maintain the standards and unanimity of the Corps. This implies more than shining shoes and polishing brass. It includes moral and personal relationships and the smooth working of a system which has been proven to produce superior men and leaders.

There was a general feeling of apprehension in the Corps when General Leech left and Colonel D. C. France took over as Commandant. This feeling, however, proved to be groundless. Colonel France has striven to make the penalties for violations of the regulations more sensible and meaningful than in the past. This, plus the fact that lights are seen burning in the Commandant's office after supper, proves to the Corps that at least the intent to improve existing situations is present.

Col. James M. Morgan Jr.—Dean of the Faculty



MEN AT THE TOP . . .

Dr. White—Biology



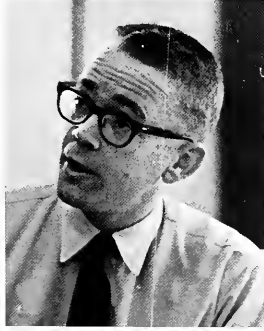
Col. Brooke—History



Col. Saunders—Mathematics



Col. Morrison—Economics



Lt. Col. Knapp—Civil Engineering



Col. Tutwiler—English



Col. Newman—Physics



Col. Jamison—Electrical Engineering



Col. German—Chemistry



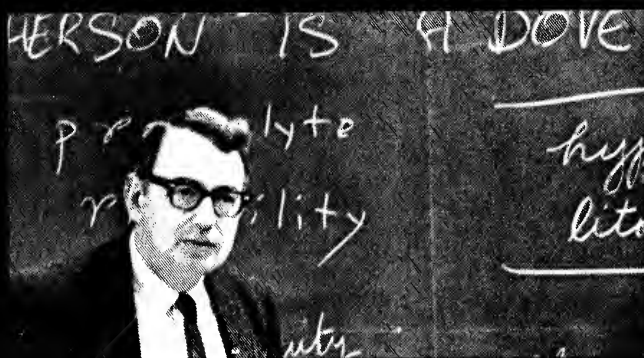
Col. Lancaster—Modern Language





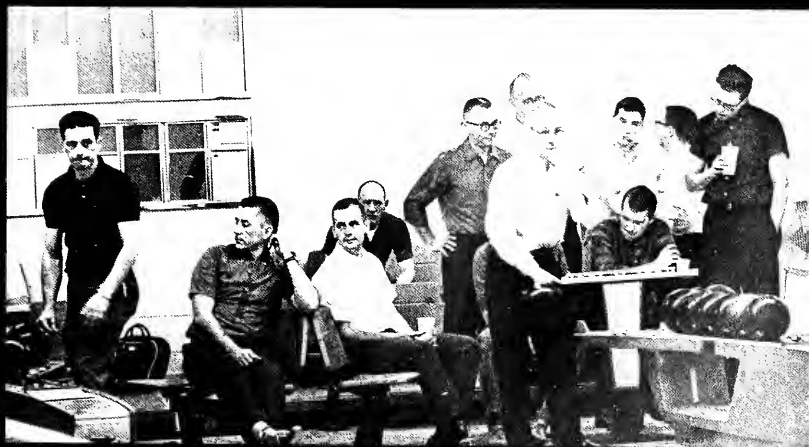
Learning must be real . . . an active process . . .

T. V. Greet—English





"Education must shift from instruction, from imposing of stencils,
to discovery — to probing" — *Marshall McLuhan*



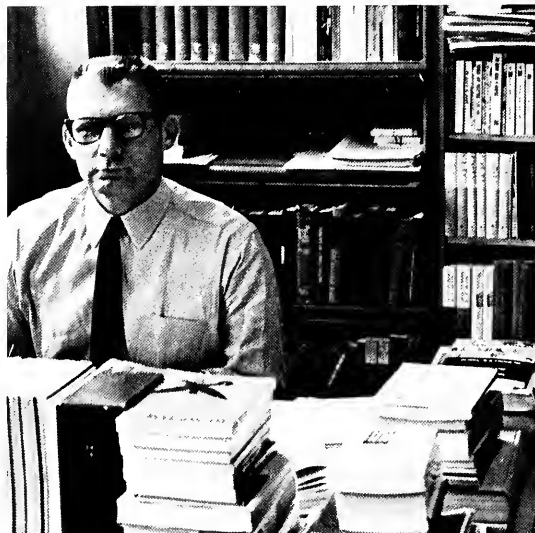


Gabriel G. Balazs—Electrical Engineering



James B. Davis—English

The only person more important than the teacher is the student. The teacher must be a dynamic medium, because he fights a war for the attention of the student's mind . . .



Maj. Willard M. Hays—History

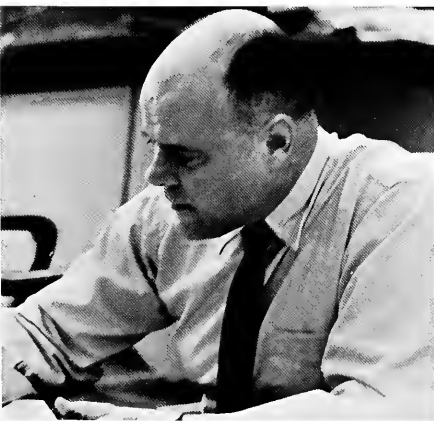
**This culture is changing—look around . . .
Education must shift NOW to deal with the
present, using the tools of a new culture . . .
a new technology . . . Students understand
instinctively the present . . .**



Maj. Kurt M. Gloeckner—Mechanical Engineering



Lt. Col. David M. Crim—Civil Engineering





Col. John H. Reeves—Biology

**Twenty years from now your wife and kids
will laugh at the way you wear your hair . . .
you will measure the value of your education
by the good times . . .**



Col. William F. Byers—Fine Arts



Col. Herbert N. Dillard—English

Just as the teacher **MUST** stimulate, must probe for attention . . .
the student **MUST** become an effective receiver of information . . .
In the war for the cadet mind there is a fifth column at work,
devoted to the cause of **EDUCATION** . . .



Lt. Col. Henry S. Bausum—History



Maj. Philip B. Peters—Physics



Lt. Col. Bausum, Col. Giliham, and Col. Barrett—History



Lt. Col. Carlsson Philosophy, Col. Roth and Dr. Davidson—English

The intellectual . . . The man who changes our perception has always been thought of as anti-social . . . The insight . . . the desire to probe for facts . . . seems odd to lesser men . . . The professor is the key . . . he must create awareness of the shifting environment . . . He must communicate . . . If he fails, the student fails . . .



Maj. Rodney C. Dalgo—Modern Languages



Maj. Joseph E. Martin—Mathematics



Maj. Richard S. Trandel—Mechanical Engineering



Daniel B. Smith—English

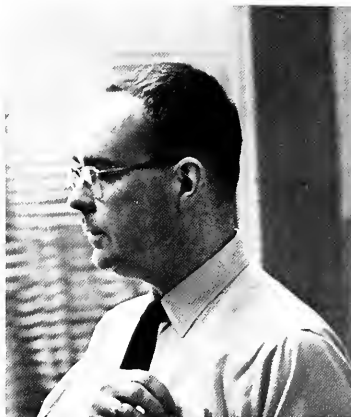
If there is unrest, it is because we are in transition . . . This is the reason for the generation gap . . . Youth sees NOW . . . The college must understand if its message is to have meaning . . .



Rear Adm. George C. Seay—Mechanical Engineering



Lt. Col. William L. Patrick—Civil Engineering



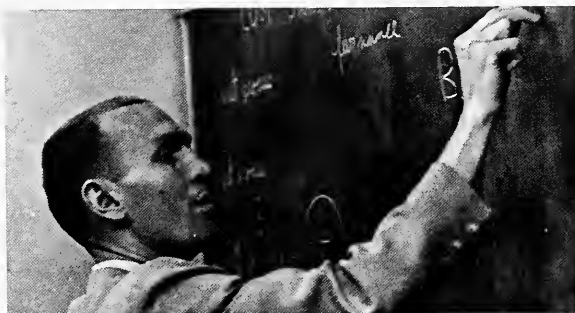
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Marshall M. Friedman—Economics

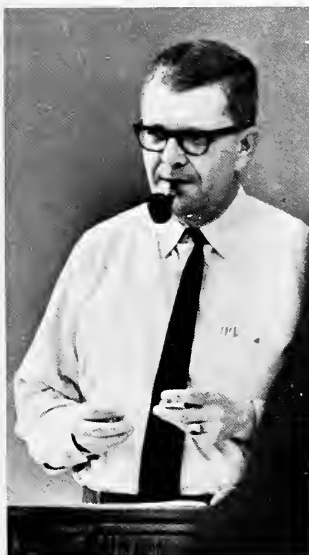


Chester F. Burgess—English



Frank A. Settle—Chemistry

**“No man can reveal to you aught but that
which already lies half asleep . . .**



Col. B. McCluer Giliham—History

Miles M. Merwin—History



Richard J. Rudio—Modern Language



Brewster S. Ford—English

. . . in the dawning of your knowledge.”—*Kahlil Gibran*



Col. Austin M. Drumm—History

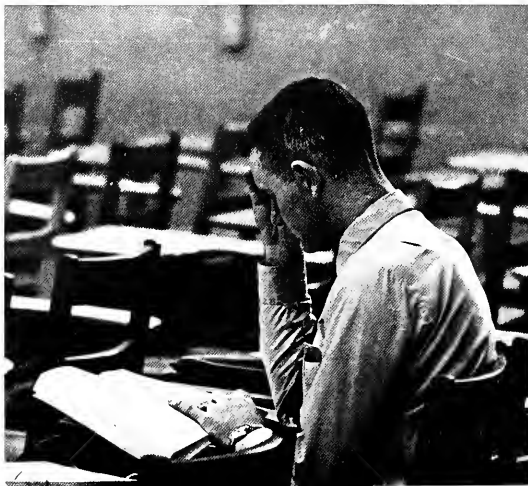


**The problem: efficient communication in the hope
for a progressive future . . .**



Maj. John R. Tucker—Physics





Cpt. William F. Dworsak—Artillery



Maj. John T. Undercoffer—Armor

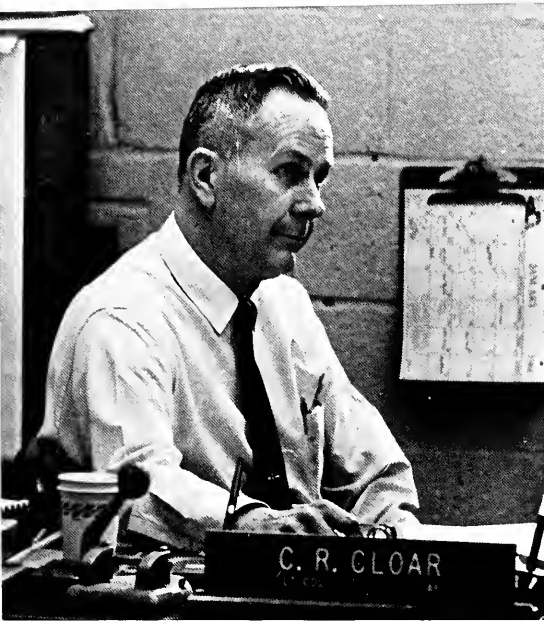
MILITARY AND AIR SCIENCE

Cpt. Jan L. Senecal—Infantry



Lt. Col. Leon McCall, Jr.—Assistant PMS

There are many phases and concepts in the field of education . . . to be useful and appreciated, it must deal with something the student may use in later life . . . to do his job . . . to accomplish national objectives . . . to stay alive . . . A good system of education must promote the use of **COMMON SENSE** . . .



Lt. Col. Clyde R. Cloar—Assistant PAS



Cpt. Lawrence M. Wood—Air Science

At VMI practical training is a necessity . . . The dialogues of Plato are of little importance on the battlefield . . . Among the military, this college has an excellent reputation for the quality of its graduates . . . Just as the instructors on the hill must meet the challenge of a changing culture . . . so must the military instructors adapt . . . The FTX's have been vastly improved in the last few years . . . Practice in the field is good . . . it is immediate . . . it forces the cadet to become involved . . . Here, too, is an education . . .

John B. Swink—Property Custodian



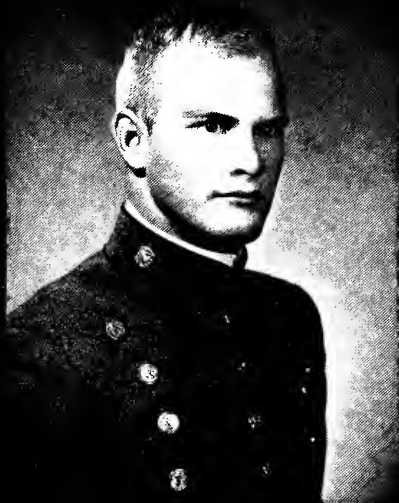
T/Sgt. Charles C. Siler—Air Science

IN MEMORIAM



Ross Wescott Clark

An automobile accident claimed the life of Ross before many of us got to know him. Death is a hard thing to accept or comprehend at any time, but especially during the first year at VMI. This came as a shock to the whole class, but more so to his fellow English majers who had the opportunity to know and to appreciate his talents. Thus, knowing his great potential, we honor his memory and send our prayers to him.



Stanley H. Wilkerson

Stan was, unquestionably, one of the friendliest and most outgoing men ever to enter VMI. While returning to his home in Alexandria, Virginia, an automobile accident caused by a malfunction in the car claimed his life and ended his newly-found career in the field of computers. We were deeply moved by his death, as he was more than a friend . . . he was . . . Brother Rat.

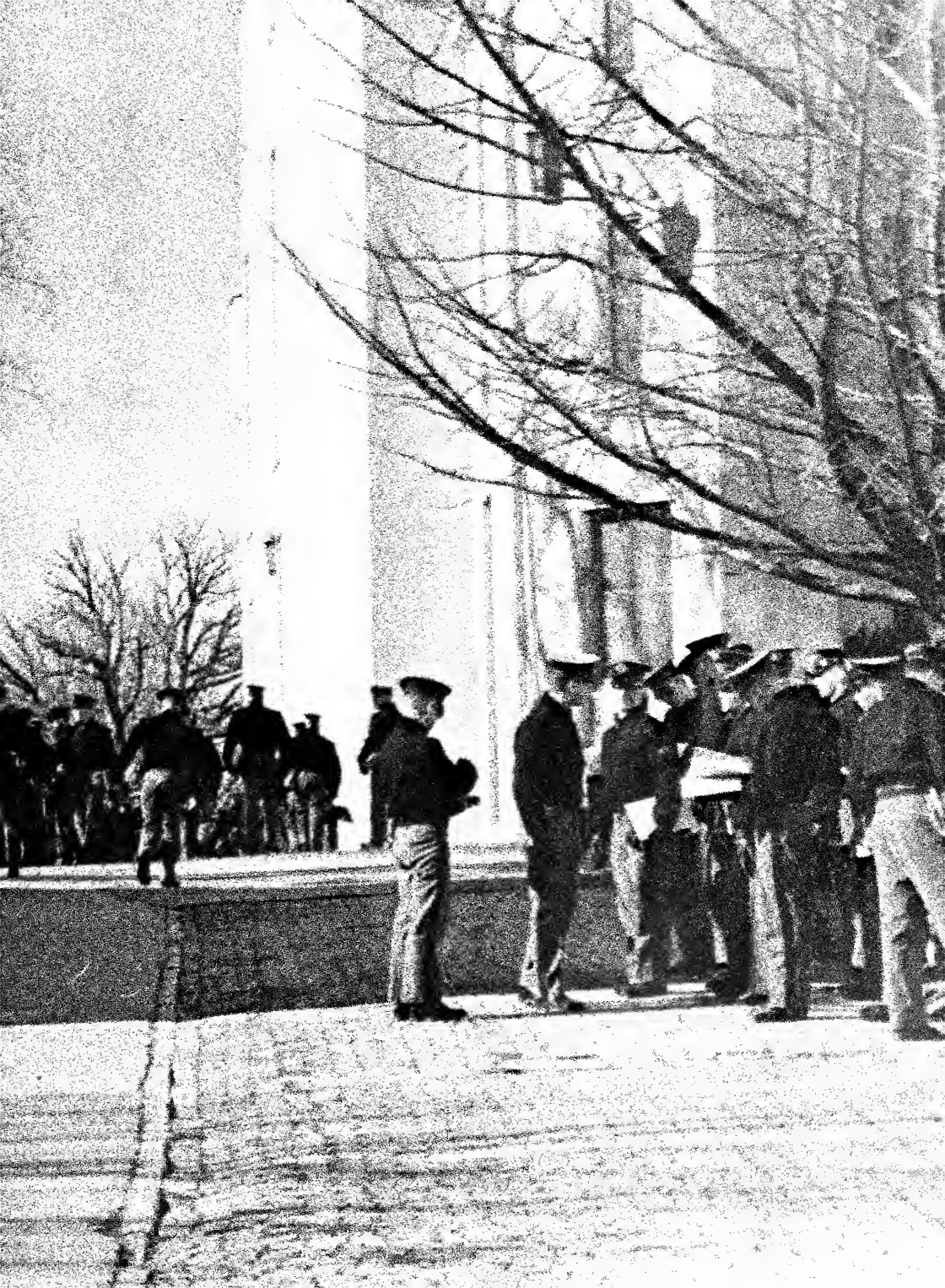


Kenneth Michael Frick

The joys and expectations of our First Class year were reduced almost to nothingness by the senseless murder of a Brother Rat. Here was a man who had everything to live for, but was cut down by a perverted individual with the sense only to squeeze a trigger. No one gains by such an exchange.

Mike was in the top of the Civil Engineering curriculum and was scheduled to graduate in June with honors. He was known, loved, and respected by all. His easy going attitude and sound thinking marked him as everyone's friend. But we keep thinking beyond our personal loss to the loss our society suffered at his death.







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THE FIRST CLASS



J. Addison Hagan
President

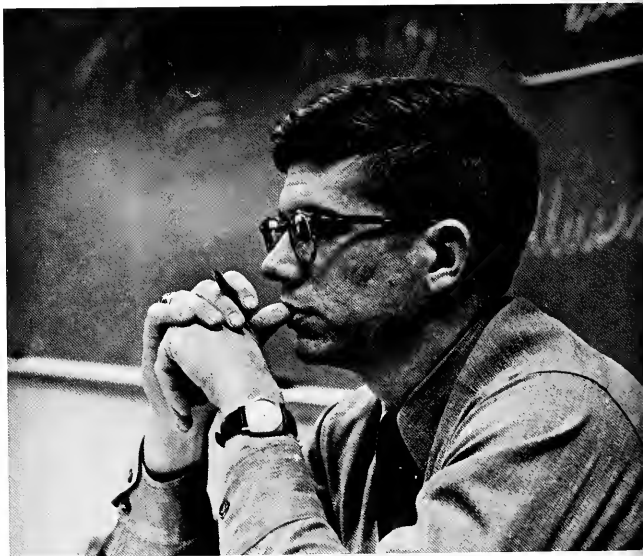
In the four years at VMI, each member of the Class of 1968 has overcome the humiliation of our entrance. Each has succeeded in the area he has chosen whether it be sports, grades, leadership, the military, or the non-military. There are those of us who still maintain that their tenure has been unproductive, yet each has in some way contributed to the benefit of the whole. None, however, can honestly assert that VMI has not been of some benefit to themselves, even if the only lesson learned here has been one of tolerance.



Joey Smith
Vice President

Four years from the time we first marvelled at the nakedness of our heads, we can survey the merits of our respective decisions to live under the VMI system. Approximately one hundred and fifty of the original have, for some personal reason, left to pursue their fortunes elsewhere. Those of us who have remained have gathered more than the education as found in books. We will leave VMI with a diploma citing the fact that the course of education is complete. But can we accept this certificate, this diploma, as meaning we are prepared? Surely our education has been a satisfactory one as far as the courses of study go, but can it reflect and attest to our respective courses in living?

When we gaze at the VMI diploma in later years, most of us will be able to realize that what we went through as cadets was indeed valuable. The ratline and its demands will seem paltry when compared to the tasks that will be assigned. The long hours of work, the sacrifices of personal pride in favor of a greater ideal, and the necessity of working with individuals of different talents and states of mind are not met only here at VMI. Life outside is much more demanding, but we now may rest secure in our experience.



William P. Boyer, Jr.
Historian

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"Den-Den" Long



Clay Thompson

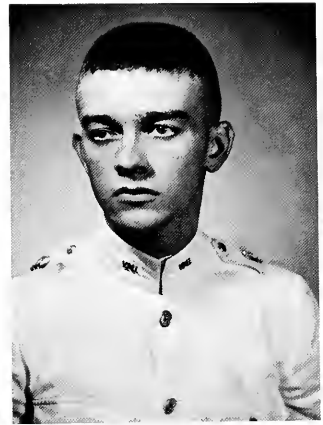


Chris Blanchette

Dennis Harry Long
Mathematics, Infantry

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Cadet Cpt., B Co. Commander, Distinguished Academic Student, DMS, Who's Who in American Colleges, Fencing, Sigma Pi Sigma, Rangers, ROTC Superior Cadet Medal, AUSA Medal, Armed Forces Club.

On a shining September day in 1964, the Class of '68 sent its first Brother Rat into VMI's rat line. Thus began a devastating career which included the founding of the Rotten Apple Club, the sending-up of four first classmen, and seventeen trips to the G.C.-E.C. with but one penalty. The Administration, the non-believers in Scott Shipp Hall, and three generations of Rats have felt his imprint. Yet, even among those who decried his injustice, there was a begrudging respect for one who has dedicated himself to the principles of VMI. He has felt perhaps more strongly than any other man at the Institute that the system does work and is well worth preserving. We await the day when the big chair in Smith Hall will be occupied by this Brother Rat, and the Old Corps will be reborn.



Dennis Harry Long
York, Pennsylvania

James Clay Thompson
English, Artillery

Pvt., L.Cpl., Wesley Foundation, English Society, Intramural Volleyball, Advanced Horizontal Lab, Eastern Shore Club, English Secretary Admiration Club.

September 10, 1964—exit Clay—Clay from the good life to enter VMI. He started out as a Math Major and soon realized his abilities were in the classroom of thought. Quickly switching to English he felt somewhat more secure, but by no means safe.

As Clay cast his loves along the wayside (or was it visa-versa), he progressed academically. During his second and first class years his roommates began to see a change in Clay, and were subjected to a myriad of strange acts and animals—enter the lizard!

Good luck, Clay—you're a great guy to have on our side.



James Clay Thompson
Salisbury, Maryland

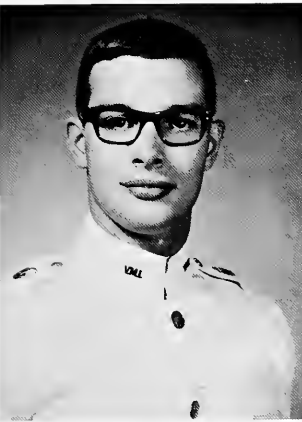


"Gip" Anders

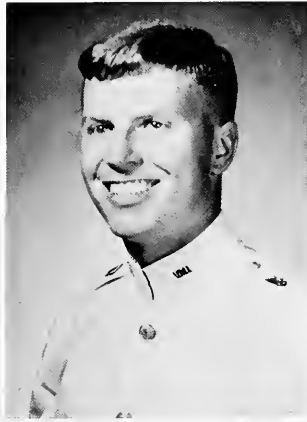


Dave Gehr

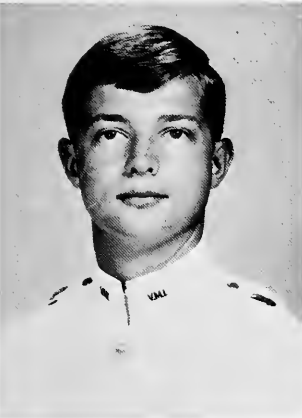
The First Class



David Rhine Gehr
Springwater, New York



Crispin Pond Blanchette
Silver Spring, Maryland



Donald Francis Lynch, Jr.
Tampa, Florida



Howard Gilbert Anders, Jr.
Monongahela, Pa.



Don Lynch

Donald Francis Lynch, Jr.
Biology, Navy

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., DAS, Who's Who in American Colleges, Intramural Volleyball, Bomb Staff, John Randolph Tucker Carmichael Award, Philip H. Killey Award, AFROTC Scholarship, *Sounding Brass*.

Don came to VMI with a Florida suntan and a determination to excel as a student. And that he did! After starting his cadetship in the History curriculum, he came into Doc's department and immediately showed he meant business by taking over as first-ranking Biology major in one year.

He also exhibited his military capabilities, being a "ranker" during both of his upper-class years, while still finding time to get his hand into Hollins, Madison, and Mary Washington.

We all hated to see Don leave VMI, but none of us doubt that after his four years at U. Va. Med. School, the Wahoos will have produced one of the finest doctors around.

David Rhine Gehr
Civil Engineering, Armor

Pvt., Lt., Rat Swimming, Intramural Swimming, Volleyball, Basketball, ASCE, Cadet Staff, Sec., Treas., and Vice-Pres., Timmins Society, Ring Figure Committee.

Just ask Dave how happy he was to leave the icy wastelands of the North and come to the warmth and friendly atmosphere of the yellow walls. Of course, he never would have met his Southern Belle if he hadn't—funny what one blind date will do under the influence of a warm Virginia night.

A series of misfortunes left Band Company with too few leaders, but Dave met the challenge. He loved the Institute so much that he stayed year-round.

Dave's willingness to help his Brother Rats, and his "never-give up" attitude, have earned him a place of respect among his classmates. We are sure Dave will be successful, and we wish both he and Bobbi the best of luck.

Crispin Pond Blanchette
English, AFROTC

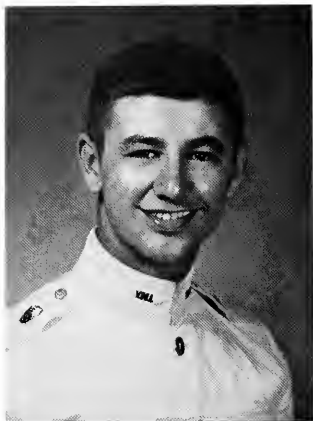
Pvt., Rat and Varsity Cross Country, Indoor, Outdoor Track, Intramural Basketball, Football, Bomb Staff, Newman Club, Vice-Commandant's Award AF FTU, Firefighter.

It is truly remarkable that after four years at the Big Institute, this redhead still maintains both the poise and sense of humor that he first demonstrated as a Rat. Usually a successful block-runner, Cris once lost an important close decision when the dummy in his hay failed to sufficiently deceive the "Mole." Besides this memorable set-back, our hero holds records both on and off the track. After hanging up his spikes and books, Cris looks forward to a future with Barbara and a career in the Air Force.

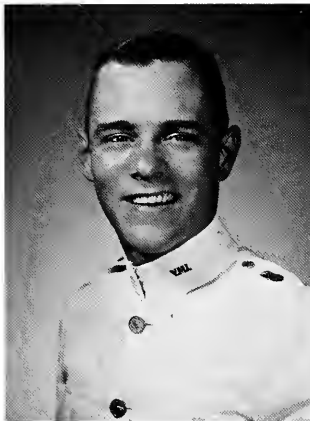
Howard Gilbert Anders, Jr.
History, Infantry

Pvt., DMS, Judo, Intramural Football, Basketball, Weight Training, Judo, Rangers, Armed Forces Club.

One of Pennsylvania's gifts to VMI and the Class of '68, Crip was fortunate in receiving a large part of his Rat training from Smuff himself, and possibly too much of his pre-history training from the Admiral. He soon settled down to become a healthy, happy LA who dedicated his spare moments to weightlifting, karate, yoga, reading, racking, and other mystic arts. He perfected his talents until he became the official model-builder of the class. Between playing tweet and ranger, he found time to meet a girl named Sue. Howie's cadet career has been successful and rapid, and it looks as if his post-graduation stupor might extend through August. Good luck Crip, and watch out for those fast moving taxis.



John George Frank
San Francisco, California



Guy Humphrey Drewry, III
Fairfax, Virginia



Charles Eric Eades
Dallas, Texas

John George Frank
Modern Language, Artillery

Pvt., Intramural Basketball, Glee Club, V.M.I. Commanders, 1968 Ring Committee.

John entered VMI with the desire to prepare for a dramatic career. Didn't we all? Just consider the opportunities: vocalizing in the sinks, and reciting before capable critics ("The healthful and pleasant abode . . ."). His love for the Institute compelled him to remain here during the summers in order to get the full benefit due the world's next "Hamlet."

John has had more than his share of troubles and disappointments, but as his nickname "Stoneman" implies, he remained undaunted by them all . . . and he always will. TOTUS MUNDUS AGIT HISTRI-ONEM.

Guy Humphrey Drewry, III
Economics, Infantry

L.Cpl., Sgt., Reg. Sgt. Maj., DMS, Intramural Soccer and Cross Country, Fire Fighter, Armed Forces Club, Civil War Roundtable.

"Do you love it here, Rat?" "YES SIR!" Little did his processor know then, that Guy really meant it!

Thus the way was paved for Guy's next four years. Never has there been a stronger upholder or believer in the VMI System. A fun-loving, friendly Brother Rat, and a general all around "Good Guy"! If ever someone must be depended on, don't hesitate to go to him. If he can't help you, he'll find someone who can. It has been an experience rooming with one of the best-natured Brother Rats I know! His strong devotion to a job well done, and maybe a little luck, will make him successful no matter what the endeavor, economics or military. Best of luck, Guy!

Charles Eric Eades
Biology, Infantry

Pvt., Cross Country, Intramural Football, Volleyball, Baseball, Pres., Vice-Pres. VMI Scouter's Club, VMI Aquatics Board.

Out of the "LONE STAR REPUBLIC" came the "Littlest TEXAN," who found himself to be the wildest and smallest member of the Class of 1968 and a "Tweet" in Band Company. A violent "Anti-Ranker," he hates the conduct of VMI Rankers in their disorganized leadership.

As a Spring time fatality for three years, he hopes to see his own Finals.

His ambition is to be a fighting Medic. Eric hates to be couped up! He is usually running Cross Country, hiking the hills of Lexington, or with the VMI Gun and Hiking Club.

Like all TEXANS, Eric cannot sit still; he will yell "Remember Goliad," "Fight," and "Never, never die." He will probably go down fighting and die wearing his boots.



"Stoneman" Frank



Guy Drewry



"The littlest Texan" Eades



Bob Farrenkopf



Rick Keck



"Jap" Kritakara

Robert Alan Farrenkopf
Mathematics, Armor

Pvt., L.Cpl., Regt. Color Sgt., Regt. Sgt. Maj., DMS, Intramural Cross Country, Rangers, Tankers, AFC.

Bob has enjoyed several distinctions at VMI: he is the youngest member of the class, and he is the man with the most majors. Bob began his cadetship as a sixteen-year old C.E., but, like most other Rat C.E.'s, soon transferred. Unlike most of the others though, it wasn't History to which he switched, but to Physics. After a year of that, the afternoon labs and evening football games in the halls of Mallory began to get old, and Bob once again decided it was time to change. This time it was the Math department that snagged his drifting mind, and there he remained.

First Class year came as a welcomed relief, as it does to everyone. Who knows what lies in the future, but we have no doubt that Bob will be successful in whatever he does.

Richard F. Keck
Electrical Engineer, Infantry

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Intramural Cross Country, IEEE, Newman Club, Scuba Club, Rangers, Hiking and Gun Club, AFC, Big Tube Committee, Barracks Sound Tech.

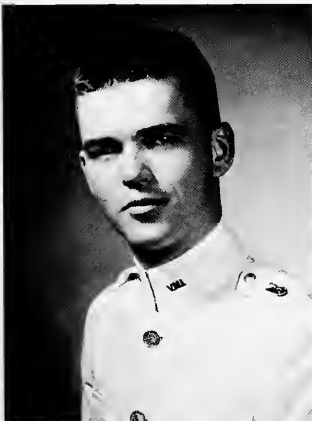
Rick entered VMI being of sound body, mind, and spirit, but wonders at times whether he has maintained these qualities. Actually, in his calculating and persistent manner, he has fared well in his duels with the system, administration, and EE Department. Kecky gave up on the VMI rank system after two years of the "Rat" race. Rick's persistent, dependable, and patient manner have won him the esteem of his Brother Rats and all who know him. With his beady eyes peering toward the horizon, Kecky will embark upon a successful future in electronic nuclear energy, leaving behind his unconquerable spirit and shining example.

Krita Kritakara
Civil Engineering, Armor

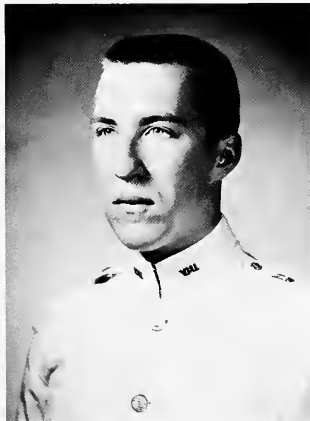
Pvt., Rat Wrestling, Soccer, Intramural Volleyball, Soccer, ASCE, Evergreen Review, Buddhist Club, Pres., IRC, Tankers Platoon, Summer School Club, MBC Fan Club.

Krita's command of the English language made the Rat year a breeze, although he had the knack to lose his ability when asked a Rat Bible or a menu question.

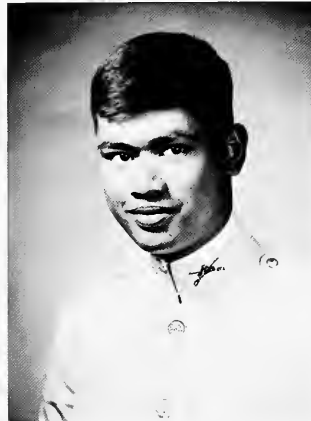
Academically, the Rat year was his best, with the following years spent in the M.E. Department and Summer School. It was a hard struggle, but the "Chink" still found time for a few trips to Staunton where a certain blonde waited with open arms—if she wasn't at W&L or UVA. The "tool shed" taught him everything he needed to know, but the Pine Room, Moose Lodge, and Mrs. Lee helped. The Class of '68's first General will return to defend his home, but we know he will be back to his second home in the near future.



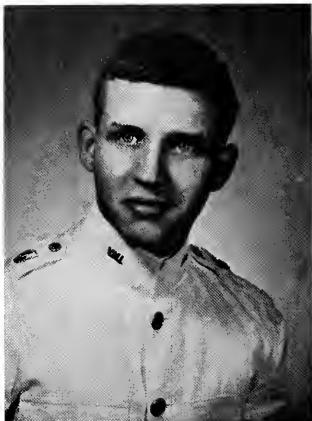
Robert Alan Farrenkopf
Spring Valley, New York



Richard F. Keck
Corning, New York



Krita Kritakara
Bangkok, Thailand



Thomas Russell Arensdorf
Alexandria, Virginia

Thomas Russell Arensdorf
Civil Engineering, Artillery

Pvt., RDC, Gymnastics Club, Intramural Football, Cross Country, Softball, Newman Club, Regimental Band.

On September 10, 1964, Tom celebrated his 21st birthday at the Institute. Tom soon realized that VMI didn't know the meaning of the word "gift". Nevertheless, Tom "Played the Game" precisely, and was made a Lance Corporal his third class year. However, he finally realized that he was in college(?) and academics came first. Tom's third class year also saw him "shot down," and Ellen was no more. Thus, Tom became inflicted with the "playing the field" disease, and he has been joyously "ill" ever since. This, of course, cannot last, and Tom will find that someone who will share with him that success which he surely deserves.



Tom Arensdorf

John Cregan Howland
History, Infantry

Pvt., L.Cpl., Intramural Volleyball, Armed Forces Club.

Creg came here pursuing the glory behind being a cadet. After the first five seconds on that frightful day back in September, 1964, his mind was instantly changed. He spent the rest of his Rat year wondering why he had come, and spent the next three years wondering why he was still here. He gave up his military pursuits after being lance corporal, and concentrated on graduating, which he will be able to do now after three summer schools.

Creg is hoping for a transfer into the Marine Corps, and a seat in the "Phantom." He does want to thank his mom and dad for the moral support they gave him, and we say "best of luck."



Creg Howland



"Dino" Kershaw

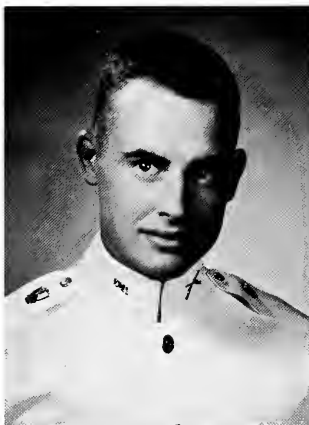
Dean Arthur Kershaw
Civil Engineering, Armor

L.Cpl., Sgt., 1st Lt., 1st Bn. S-3, DMS, Who's Who in American Colleges, Intramural Volleyball, American Society of Civil Engineers-Sec. Treas., Veep, Pres., Rangers, Tankers, Armed Forces Club.

Dino originally came to Lexington from drab New Jersey, but now is quick to claim California, where he spends his summer days being run out of town on his "step-through" Honda 50. Once he overcame his initial disappointment of not being able to major in M.S. at VMI, Dean set out to do his best as a C.E., ending his cadetship as A.S.C.E. president and second ranking C.E. academically.

Our first class year brought many firsts for Dean.

With Dean's friends in the Pentagon the situation should soon be solved in Vietnam. I am sure we'll see Dean, sabre gleaming, charging his tank down on some foe. Would you believe filling gas tanks for Shell Oil?



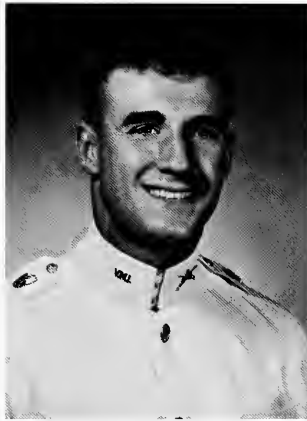
John Cregan Howland
McLean, Virginia



Dean Arthur Kershaw
San Pedro, California



Charles Nicholas Bishop, Jr.
Staunton, Virginia



James Christian Burg
Clark, New Jersey

Charles Nicholas Bishop, Jr.
History, Artillery

Pvt., DMS, Rat Baseball and Football, Varsity Football, Intramural Football and Basketball, Pioneer Investment Club, Cadet Staff, FCA, Brookside, Ghetto.

"Old Bish" came to the Institute with the idea he knew the system completely. This concept was soon shaken, and ever since he has spent as much time as possible in Staunton.

Bish has been one of the few guys to keep the same "old lady" for all four years. It is the perfect combination of beauty and brains—Kathy has both. She has also reaped most of the benefits of the extemporaneous activities.

His heart is set on a law career and with his determination, personality, and the leadership he has exhibited in athletics, we know success will be his.

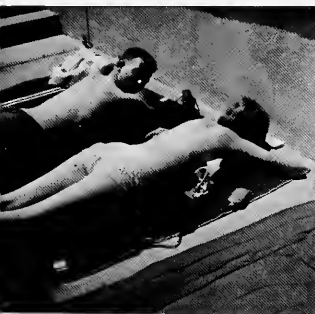


Jim Burg

James Christian Burg
History, Armor

L.Cpl., Sgt., Lt., DMS, Varsity and Rat Football, Intramural Handball, Vice Pres., Monogram Club.

The Clark Comet, a certified member of the 97½ year-RA-stud club, ambled through Jackson Arch four years ago destined to claim the title "Most Semi-ranker" in history. Congrats to you, Jim, for a job well done! We will remember Jim as the smiling flanker for the Big Red, as the guy who can sell a raffle ticket to anyone, and as the guy with the "Joisey" accent. We know Jim will do well in whatever he attempts because he has a go-get-it attitude, and the determination to be on top. His aggressiveness was proven on the gridiron, in Scott Shipp Hall (occasionally), and on Filthy Mike's list of Distinguished Military Students. We wish him the best of luck, and on June 22nd, the beginning of the kind of life that all VMI alumni deserve.



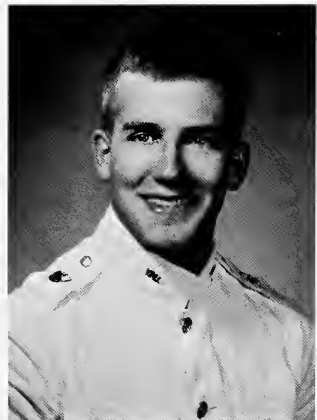
"Chip Chap" Chapla

John David Chapla
English, Infantry

Pvt., Sgt., Lt., DMS, Who's Who in American Colleges, Honor Court, Rat Football, Varsity Football, Intramural Basketball, Newman Club, Monogram Club, Rangers, Club 412.

The "Big Ranger" of 1967 will long be remembered by his friends. Who could possibly forget the famed "Sophomore Sensation," and the notoriety he caused with his exploits in Scott Shipp Hall? Who would ever have thought he was to become a lieutenant in "F Troop," and first ranking English major? But by virtue of his hard work, impeccable appearance, and rigorous enforcement of the Ratline, John accomplished his mission.

Always ready to help anyone who came to him with a problem, we feel that he will be a great success in everything he tries. A-I-R-B-O-R-N-E!



John David Chapla
Lorain, Ohio

Robert Smither Crenshaw, Jr.
History, Infantry

L.Cpl., Sgt., Lt., XO C. Co., DMS, Football, Wrestling, Intramural Football, Civil War Roundtable, Political Science Soc., Monogram Club.

Through Jackson Arch he came that late summer's day, a grunting, snorting man with no neck. 'Twas a sad day in Roanoke when she lost her favorite son, but a joyous day in Lexington when VMI gained him. Bob excelled in athletics. He became the Terror of the Mats, Monster on the Gridiron, and the charmer of many of Virginia's finest belles.

Bob had his ups and downs during his Keydetship, but his determination and will carried him through.

To "No Neck" of VMI, Plumtree, Girl Scout, Roanoke College, Sweetbriar, and George are soft spots in his heart. From us B.R.'s, good luck, "ole stick".

Michael Timothy Mahoney
Electrical Engineering, Infantry

Pvt., Varsity Football, Rat Football, Intramural Basketball, IEEE, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Monogram Club.

Any man who's both Irish and Greek, and a Yankee to boot, couldn't pass through VMI unnoticed! Michael Timothy Mahoney has not gone unnoticed. From Orchard Park, N.Y., he came to the Institute where he has made his mark as one of our best known and favorite Brother Rats. One thing's for sure—around Mike, there's never a dull moment. The combination of Emotional Irish and Thoughtful Greek makes Mike an emotional thinker (whatever that is). The result is excitement. Whether it's in football, politics, love, or studies, Hony is always involved—usually up to his neck. His love life is one of the Great Wonders of the World. He has gotten into more trouble with less effort than anybody we have ever met.

It all spells Brother Rat. We know that wherever he's bound, wherever he's found, we'll also find achievement. . .

Robert Emil Schmalzriedt
English, Infantry

Pvt., DMS, Football-Co-Capt., Intramural Weightlifting, Volleyball, Newman Club, Monogram Club.

"Emil," as the battle cry has echoed for four years, has been the cause of headaches for many coaches of VMI opposition during his outstanding football career. But football alone has not made Bob one of the favorites of the Corps, alumni, and faculty. For, in confining his ferocious strength to the gridiron (and sometimes to his third stoop monster activities) off the field he has displayed a pleasant personality and deep concern for others. Though Bob doesn't particularly agree with some of the more controversial aspects of the VMI System, he has demonstrated his leadership and military bearing at Summer Camp with his excellent standing. Not only Vito and the Corps will mourn the loss of Emil, but also all members of the bachelor world. After graduation, he will be taking vows with his lovely little Sem graduate, Nan. We wish Bob the best of luck in the future.

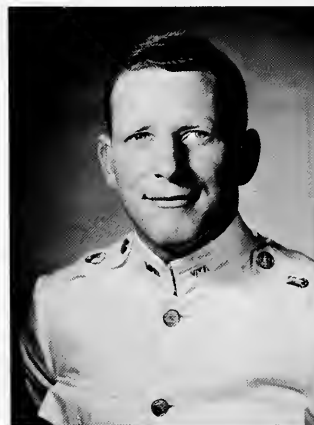
Donald Ralph Taylor
History, Armored

Pvt., DMS, Rat and Varsity Football, and Wrestling, Intramural Volleyball, Armed Forces Club, Monogram Club, Dyke, Room Orderly, Section Marcher, Asst. 1st Sgt., Revenge Committee, Dirty Thirty, Asst. Cadet Waiter, DI.

"I saw him coming. I hit him with everything I had. I knew I hit him!" This immortal quote depicts the "Stump" of our class. Being Southern Conference Wrestling Champion and outstanding on the gridiron, "seeing him coming" is easy. Besides that, Don's flashing smile and friendliness toward everyone truly conveys his natural outlook on life—even at the Institute. Consequently, Don Taylor, one-hundred-ninety pounds of dazzling fury, blood brother of the hay monster, and the "Sultan" of barracks has in his possession friends, ability, and desire to make his future as fulfilling as his past.



Robert Smither Crenshaw, Jr.
Roanoke, Virginia

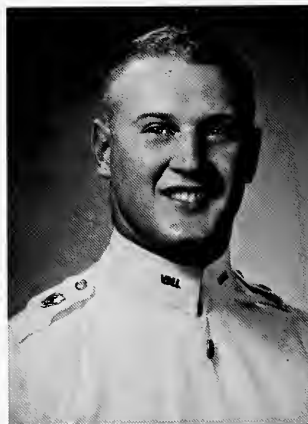


Michael Timothy Mahoney
Orchard Park, New York

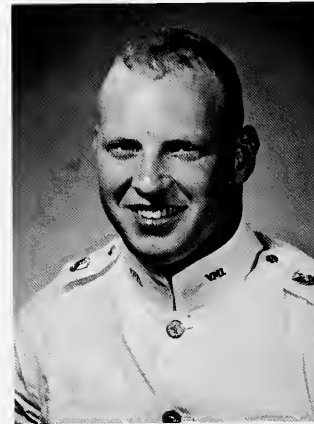
Dion Wendell Johnson
Biology, Air Force

L.Cpl., Rat Indoor Track, Gymnastics, Intramural Football, Volleyball, Ring Figure Mag. Artist, Newman Club, Cheerleader, Ring Committee, Hop Committee, FIP, Bermuda Club, N.Va. Club.

Dion or "Tree" has been torn between many aspects of VMI: an athlete on the gym team and a non-athlete on the radiator squad; a ranker (lance corporal), and a pseudo-grub. He vacationed "working" at a resort hotel and playing in Bermuda. Both a dove and a hawk, his ambition changed from a dentist to a fighter jock. His 2.0+, cheerleading, FIP, guidon, the Tiger, and girls take up much time. At graduation the world will gain a playboy, the Air Force a crack pilot, and the Institute an enthusiastic alumnus. Good Flying, Di!



Robert Emil Schmalzriedt
Cedar Grove, New Jersey



Donald Ralph Taylor
Roanoke, Virginia

James Howard Lambert
History, Infantry

Pvt., Lt., DMS, G. C., Football, Baseball, Sports Editor-Bomb, Monogram Club.

The Texas Terror came to VMI in '64 to play football. He was the three year private who made good; making the Dean's List, he rounded out his college career as athlete, scholar, cadet officer, and member of G. C. Co. He brought the famous call of the "Whisky Bird" to the fifth stoop.

Little Moe, following the examples of his father and brother, plans a career in the Army, but who will shine his shoes when Sam's gone? With his personality and ability, we're sure Jim will enjoy continued success in the future. Best of luck to a good friend and Brother Rat.

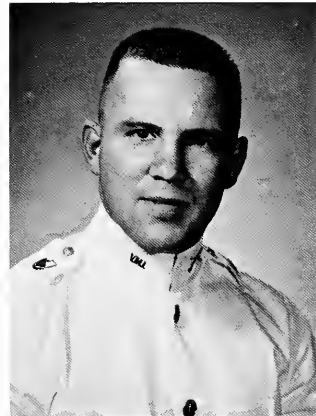


Bob Crenshaw



"Hony" Mahoney

The First Class



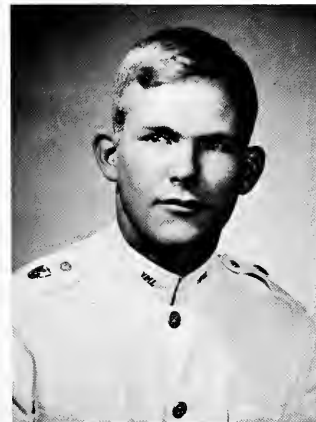
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Frederick, Maryland



"Little Mo" Lambert



"Smally" Schmalzriedt



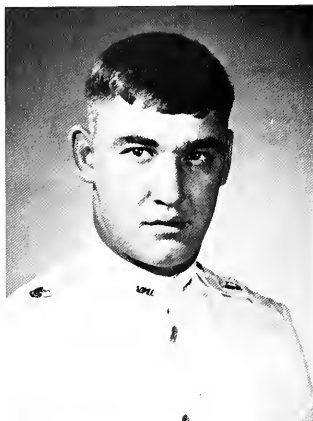
Dion Wendell Johnson
Woodbury, New Jersey



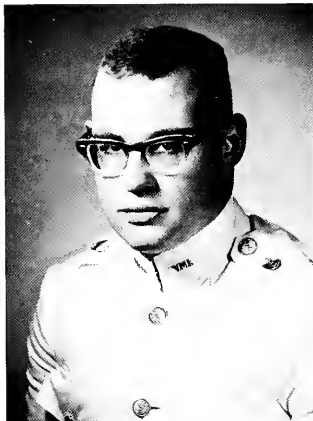
"DI" Johnson



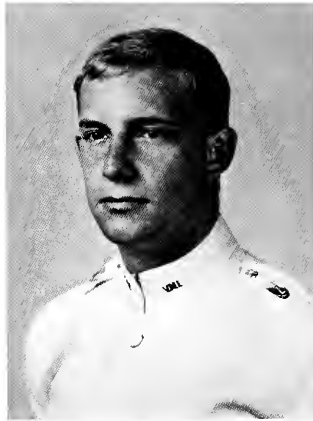
"Stump" Taylor



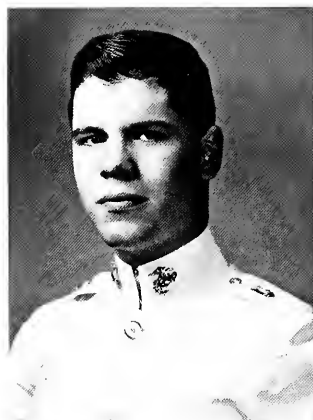
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Springdale, Pennsylvania



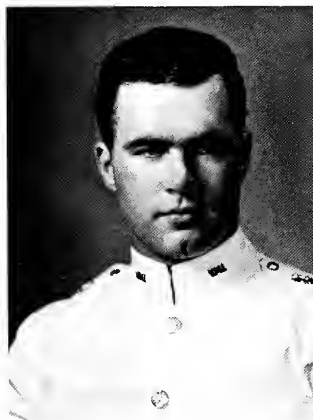
Richard Sergeant Wise
Lexington, Virginia



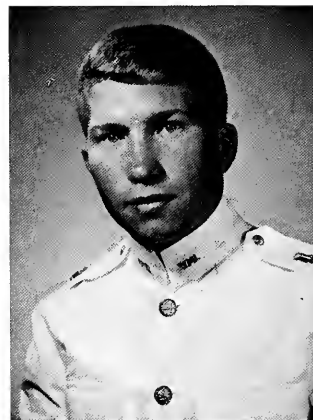
Michael Ray Smythers
Lynchburg, Virginia



John Thomas Ferguson, Jr.
Richmond, Virginia



William Robert Wilson, Jr.
Waynesville, North Carolina



Howard Reed Chapman
Fairfax, Virginia



"Pollack" Hince



"Bear" Wise



Mike Smythers



Bobby-Butch Wilson



"Howie" Chapman



Jack Ferguson

The First Class

John Carl Hince
History, Infantry

Pvt., DMS, Rat Football and Basketball, Varsity Football, Intramural Volleyball, Bomb Staff, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Monogram Club, President VMI Pittsburgh Club, Polish Literary and Musical Society.

At VMI, people were used to seeing a tall kid playing tight end on our football team with a number "86" on his back. Yes, that is good old "Hands Hince." Just ask anyone who is on the team or knows anything about football, and I am sure all you bear will be praises. For John, there is proof to back up our assumptions: Turkey Day '67. The score was 12-10, and the winning pass was pulled in by the "Old Pollack."

John has succeeded in everything he has attempted here, and we all know he will continue to be a winner throughout his life. Good luck, John.

John T. Ferguson
Economics, USMC

Pvt., L.Cpl., Football Mgr., Basketball Mgr., Timmins Society, IRC vice-president, Magnificent Seven, Unfortunate Five.

Although his original intentions were directed toward the Navy, the Academy's loss became the Institute's gain when Jack decided on a future in the Marine Corps. He experienced a brief career as a ranker. But again there was a change in the course of events when lance corporal stripes gave way to clean sleeves. Jack continued in the role of athletic manager, and his face became a familiar sight at all basketball games.

The four years at the Institute have given "the Marine" his share of frustrations. Despite the obstacles of the economics curriculum, we have no doubts that Jack will someday conquer the financial world.

Richard Sergeant Wise
History, Infantry

Pvt., Wrestling, Football, Intramural Football, Softball, Pioneer Investment Club, Young Republican's Club.

Grrr! Moan! Gro-w-w-w-l! These are the sounds emanating from the Virginia Mammal Institute as the zooperintendent conducts a tour. The visitors are amazed watching the stormy bear arise from bed grunting and groping for his glasses.

Stormy has made frequent disciplinary trips to the zooperintendent's office, and has spent most of his life on cage confinement. However, he's made several escapes to the "Liquid Lunch" with one paw around a Pabst, and the other through the ceiling.

Stormy's favorite hobby is archeology. Since entering the zoo, he's collected more bones than any creature there.

When he soon receives his certificate stating that he is tame, the "Bear" will descend upon the world of nightclubs, ball games, and bar girls.

William Robert Wilson
History, Armor

Pvt., Football, Basketball, Intramural Football, Basketball, Softball, Tar Heel Club, Civil War Roundtable, IRC, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, YRC, Armed Forces Club.

After an outstanding career in high school athletics, "Butch" came to VMI as a highly sought-after fullback, but was switched to end his Rat year. Unfortunately a serious knee injury kept him from performing for the Big Red Varsity. So this boy from Tar Heel Land switched his interests to more academics and perhaps more intramurals. That was fine with Butch, and he managed to squeeze in some extra-curricular activities besides.

Butch is having a hard time deciding between a career in the service or advanced study in his major. We're sure this Brother Rat will do okay anywhere.

Michael Ray Smythers
History, Armor

Pvt., DMS, Rat Football, Intramural Volleyball and Football, Glee Club, Cadet Union Committee, Cheerleading, B-CO Food Committee, Tanker Platoon.

The last of the no-nonsense, purely commonsensical sages of the first stoop, Mike has always had a ready opinion and answer to everything on anyone's mind—from rankers to L.B.J. Mike has run the gamut of VMI's various activities, from Rat football to Cheerleading, and remaining a private, he has been true to the "Gbetto" all the way. Mike continuously had his eyes on someone at Mary Baldwin, and even V.M.I. couldn't change that!

As Marcus Antonius proclaimed at the Georgia pep rally, "Ambition should be made of sterner stuff," the future will prove that M.R. has all the "sterner stuff" that it takes.

Howard Reed Chapman
Civil Engineering, Air Force

Rat Football, Baseball, Varsity Baseball, Intramural Basketball, Softball, Football, ASCE, Floor Committee, Young Republicans, Fire Fighter, Spirit of '68 Committee.

From the start, Howie was bound for stardom. His popularity and congeniality have made him one of the most liked and respected of all our Brother Rats. Howie has obtained just about everything he has ever sought or put his mind to. His high ranking in the Civil Engineering curriculum, and his appointment as Delta Company's first platoon leader were earned through hard work and a great deal of devotion. Besides all of this, we come finally to Howie's athletic endeavors. As a rat Howie sought the role of VMI quarterback. He fared well in that slot but found baseball more to his liking. Success is the story of "Howie" Chapman.



"Roddy" Delk



"Griff" Griffin



Tom Hickey

George Edward Buzzard
History, Air Force

Pvt., Rat Football and Track, Varsity Football, Wrestling, Intramural Football, and Softball.

I came to VMI in Sept. of '64 as a football Rat with high hopes to be a gung-ho military man both here and in the Air Force. Well, I ended up as a four year private and disenrolled from the Air Force, a real military failure!!!

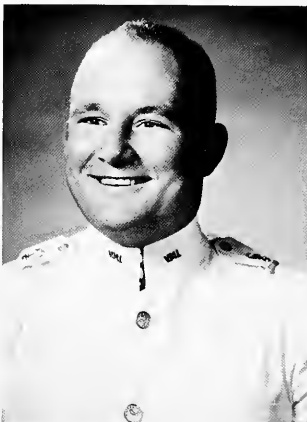
My four years at VMI will be unforgettable. I have seen four classes come and go, and all have their good and bad stories. My class has had its unforgettable moments throughout our cadetship, starting with the reading of the inscription in Jackson Arch, until we walked across the stage at graduation.

I can't say I enjoyed my four years at VMI, and I can't say I hated them. All I can say is that I lived with it. There is one great thing about VMI in this light though, "VMI is good place to be from, not at."

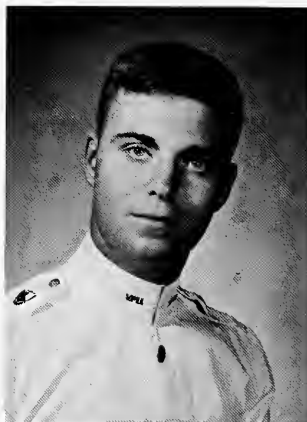
The First Class



Earle Mills



George Edward Buzzard
Waynesboro, Virginia



Thomas James Hickey, Jr.
Arlington, Virginia

Thomas James Hickey, Jr.
Electrical Engineering, Air Force

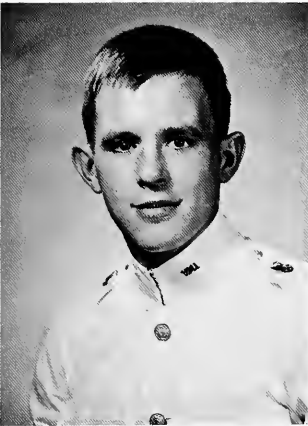
Pvt., Rat Football Mgr., Varsity Football Mgr., Intramural Volleyball, Baseball, IEEE, Newman Club.

When Hick came to VMI, he, like a lot of fools, came early for football. Tom wanted to and did become head manager of the football team. During the football season, football is about all he thinks about. Somehow this did not hurt Hick too much.

He is probably the only true L.A. in the EE section. Tom always had time to be in the sack or play bridge. When it comes time to get some work done, nothing can stand in his way. One time he spent many hours trying to develop a parachute out of Saran-Wrap.

Tom has spent many hours at a certain junior college in B.V. After a rocky winter, it appears all is patched up now.

Tom has a really good mind and personality, and will succeed in all that he does.



Rodham Tullose Delk
Smithfield, Virginia



Richard Eugene Anderson
Wichita, Kansas

Rodham Tulloss Delk
Economics, Armor

Pvt., DMS, Cadet Staff, Ghetto, Rat Football, Class Committee, Tidewater Club.

Liz, plodding, 3 by 5 computing, hiding long hair, undying support for Big Red football, Notre Dame, and Green Bay, and a few wild parties have highlighted Roddy's career at this bastion of progress.

Briefly rising above his paramilitary past—250 demerits and perpetual privatehood after he got out of the Ratline—Roddy became a summer camp surprise, but he immediately promised to go straight forever afterwards.

With "Sugah" behind him, Roddy managed to become one of the fortunate by running the economics gauntlet unscathed. Next year will bring a new home at the School of Law at Virginia—and he won't have to hide his hair anymore.



"Trigger" Anderson

Richard Eugene Anderson
Physics, USMC

Pvt., Tennis, Intramural Ping Pong, Football, Basketball, AIP, Sigma Pi Sigma, CI Cadre, Firefighters, Hiking and Gun Club, Johnny's Brigade.

Rick came to VMI in September of 1964 ready to compile one of the best academic records in the Corps by the end of his senior year. Never losing the true spirit of the elite hard corps private, Rick can always be found in the midst of every caper both in and out of Barracks. His friendly manner and amicable personality will certainly be greeted with success wherever he goes. His Brother Rats wish him the very best in "Civilian Life!"

John David Griffin, III
Civil Engineer, Artillery

Pvt., Rat Football, Track, Varsity Football, Monogram Club.

When the football hero known as Big Grif entered the beloved Institute, he was all set for everything. John may not be outstanding in the military around VMI, but he has left his mark in sports. Coming back after a year of illness, he found a job as one of the linebackers on a winning team. During the off season, he spends his time throwing the shot. All of the BR's of '68 extend their best to the Big Grif and wish him luck in all that he does.

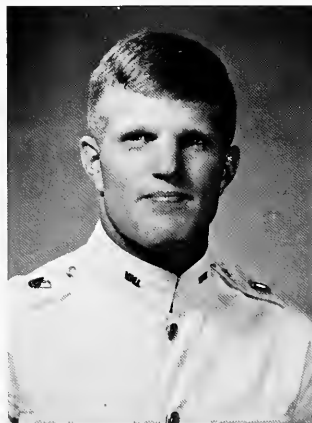
Robert Earle Mills
Chemistry, Armor

Pvt., I. Cpl., Rat Football and Baseball, Intramural Football and Baseball, American Chemical Society, Ghetto, Brookside, Nub Club.

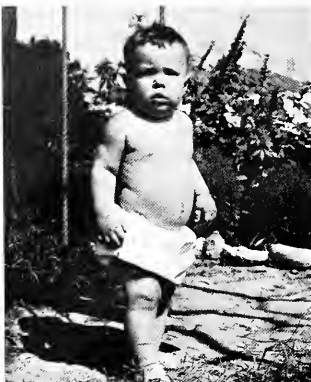
POW! BAM! ZOK! It's the Urbanna Pearl upon us all, "tellin' it like it is." The grand old man from the duck-blind. The source of the endless mirth for the Ghetto. Every night's a Saturday night, and every day's a Sunday. Probably one of the best-natured fellows to ever grace the first stoop, Earle, never bothered by anything, unfussed by all, has waded through four years and a couple of summers of Leslie's weird world of test tubes and beakers. The future is bright for this bighearted and jovial person, but what it holds in store for him is for all to wait and see. . . .



Robert Earle Mills
Urbanna, Virginia



John David Griffin, III
Virginia Beach, Virginia



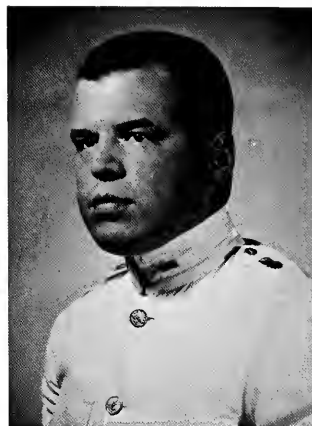
"House-Body" Brasington

Herbert Williamson Brasington, Jr.
Electrical Engineering, Air Force

L.Cpl., Lt., DMS, Rat Football, Varsity Football, Intramural Football, Softball, Weight Lifting, B.R.F., IEEE Secretary-Treasurer, Newman Club, IRC, Political Science Society.

"House Body" (as he is known to his Brother Rats) hails from the city of questionable reputation, Richmond, Va. As studious a cadet as you could imagine, Herb still found time to participate in many of VMI's finer activities.

The summer after his rat year he found Carol. (Who ever heard of a plump life-guard?) The relationship thrived at Club '68, 212½ Summit Street and Ring Figure (a week of infancy for several cadets). No one knows why Herb likes Texas so much. Evening CO's in the Bridge Room didn't bother Herb for he still made Dean's List. When speaking of his roomies, he always says: "You guys are horrible!" The best of luck to the plumpiest Lieutenant in E Company, and a very fine girl, Carol.



Herbert Williamson Brasington, Jr.
Richmond, Virginia



"Scooter" Hebert

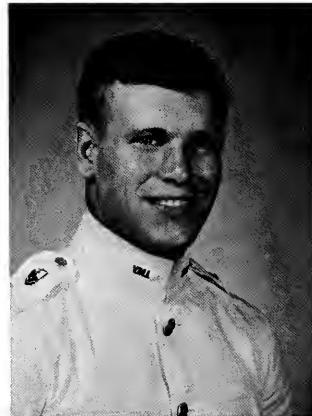
Paul Vinson Hebert
Civil Engineering, Infantry

Pvt., L. Cpl., Rat Football, Track, Varsity Football, Track, ASCE, Monogram Club, Class Committee.

Paul was among that elite class of freshmen football players who entered the hallowed arches of VMI two weeks earlier than the eventual Class of 1968. Since that time he has remained one or two jumps ahead of our class and not only distinguished himself as a consistent performer on the football field, but has been number one in the Civil Engineering Department since his Rat Year.

His First Class Year, the Administration was prompt in recognizing his many abilities, particularly in salesmanship, and issued an appropriate award. (Thanks).

Though June marks the end of four long but interesting years for Paul, it also marks the real beginning.



Paul Vinson Hebert
Richmond, Virginia



Jack "Garibaldi" Falzone

John Joseph Falzone
Civil Engineering, Artillery

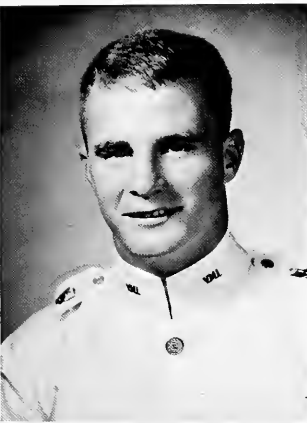
Pvt., Rat Football, Varsity Football, Rat Baseball, Intramural Basketball, Softball, ASCE, Newman Club, Tutoring Program.

This Italian victim of a face-stomping has worked the hardest four years of his life for his June objective. This is when Elaine takes the ring off his finger and fits it through his nose. It will have to be a big ring.

Graduate school beckons the Akron game's leading ground-gainer, but a job and Uncle Sam are also in the running. Having covered all phases of VMI life from the horizontal lab to the pool hall, he is well prepared for the future.



John Joseph Falzone
Garwood, New Jersey



Cyrus Kerr Kump
Elkins, West Virginia

Cyrus Kerr Kump
Biology, Air Force

Pvt., Football, Track, Intramural Softball, Monogram Club.

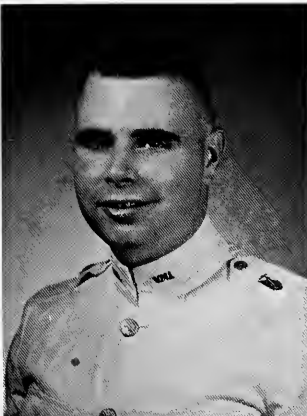
Kerr's career at VMI can be summed up in one phrase: "Number 1 in your heart, number 27 on your program, and number 37 in the Biology curriculum."

Although injuries and a semester at West Virginia got him off to a slow start, Kerr has proved himself to be an outstanding football player. Not one to be content with past glories, he has decided to do the football team a favor by coming back next year for another crack at both the gridiron and academics.

Despite his highly polished "West Virginianess," Kerr's ability to get along with people and his ready smile have made him many friends. This is the best indication of his success here!



"Cy" Kump



John George Andrews
Springfield, Virginia

John George Andrews
Biology, Armor

Pvt., VMI Judo Club, Tanker Platoon, Hiking and Gun Club, Confirmed Bachelors Club, BLB's, Hook, Line, and Sinker Club.

When the Springfield Rat arrived at the yellow rock in Sept. of '64, he brought with him cheerfulness and understanding that is appreciated by his Brother Rats. Andy's ability on the judo mat earned him a brown belt and the right to flip his roommates. Many Wednesday afternoons were spent in a tin coffin driving around White's Farm too.

The brightest star in Andy's cadetship shines from Radford. Bonnie met Andy on a blind date. Through rocky beginnings, they struggled through Hedley, cemeteries, and other normal happenings to achieve what appears to be a formal, long-lasting relation—marriage.

Andy's Brother Rats wish him the best of luck in his future marriage, and hope his dreams of graduate school were not tarnished by VMI.



"Andy" Andrews



Charles Shepherd Saphos
Athens, Greece

**"Hell
is—
other
people!"**

—Sartre

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David George O'Connor
History, Infantry

L.Cpl., Sgt., Lt., DMS, Rat Social Committee, Rat Football, Intramural Basketball, Volleyball, Softball, Catholic Choir, Hop Committee, Rangers, Richmond Club, Williamsburg Touring Society.

Dave came to VMI with his future already mapped out. The Army was in his veins, and even the Institute could not change his mind. After a brief tour with the C.E. Department, he finally found his true calling up on the 5th floor of S.S.H. The Ranger Unit and William and Mary seemed to be his two main interests. The VMI has been a test of endurance which we hope will be of benefit in the future. When that future is based on the service of his country, as it is with Dave, the test seems worth passing.

Gary Harper Klemas
Physics, Air Force

Pvt., EC, Football, Wrestling, Intramural Football, American Institute of Physics, Vice President Sigma Pi Sigma.

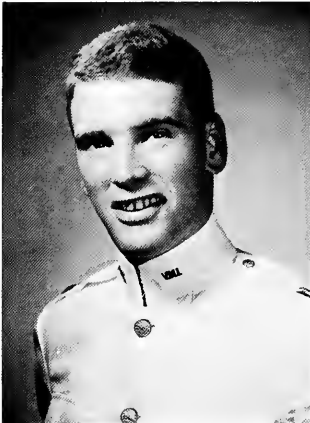
Up from Roanoke that summer day of 1964, came Gary bringing his unique talents to VMI, and the L.A. attitude to the Physics department.

He managed to survive that terrible ordeal of Ratline and Rat Football, and went on to play a lot in both. The injury to his arm his third class year slowed down his football playing, but not his trip to Johnny's where he remained on the first string.

His second class year brought Dean's List, and new athletic endeavor in wrestling beginning at Ring Figure. Graduate school is next, and then the Air Force. Good luck to a great B.R.



"R.D." O'Connor



Bernard Richard Hill
Portsmouth, Virginia



Rick Hill

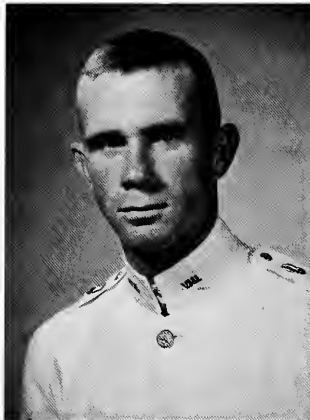


"Harper" Klemas

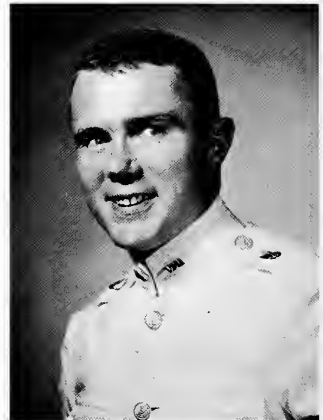
Bernard Richard Hill
Biology, Air Force

Pvt., L.Cpl., Rat Football, Co-Capt. Track, Intramural Football, Pioneer Investment Club, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Monogram Club Secretary, Treasurer, President, Athletic Council, Ring Figure Committee-Treas., "Club-160," "Bee's Nest Society."

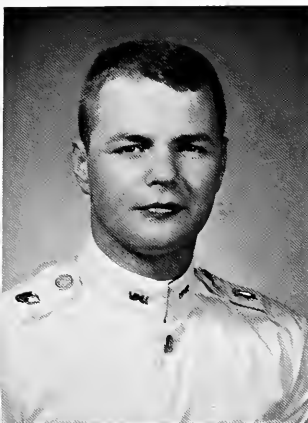
"Hey Murph, which way is left?" So began and ended the interest in military affairs of cadet Lance Corporal Rick, "Bernie," Hill, The Portsmouth Flash, alias Churchland Chin, has set quite an impressive record running track the past few years. Highlighting his track career was the captaining of both the VMI and Hollins track teams. Besides being President of the Monogram Club, he was President of the Cabin Club—Oh Ralph! He has also been crowned the king of the 5-day weekends. "No, you can't stay until Monday!" "Mr. Hill, why are you sharing a hay with five other cadets?" "Mr. Hill, why are you walking around outside of barracks after Taps?" "Mr. Hill, why..."



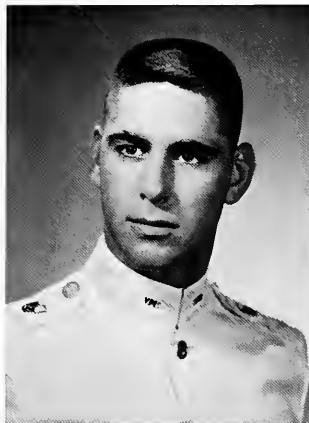
David George O'Connor
Hopewell, Virginia



Gary Harper Klemas
Roanoke, Virginia



Kenneth Walter Kowalski
Bethpage, New York



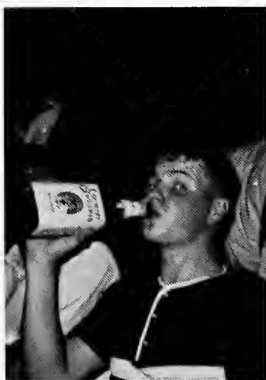
Joe Oliver Smith
Guntersville, Alabama

Joe Oliver Smith
Civil Engineering, Infantry

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Captain, Regimental Commander, DMS, Who's Who in American Colleges, 1968 Class Historian, 1968 Class Vice President, Executive Committee, General Committee, Rat Football, Rat Basketball, Varsity Basketball, Intramural Volleyball, ASCE, Cadet Staff Typist, Wesley Foundation, Hop Committee Publicity Manager.

The unruffled waters of the Alabama bayous—the unexplored and untouched lands of Guntersville, the existence of which is verified by the postmark—gave of itself Joe and his wild, reckless manner so inconsistent with the habitat. But . . . I mean a GT-6 and a smile that could mean something or nothing—one never really knows which. Without overdrive, Joe can be seen running rough-shod over all that is order and analysis and method.

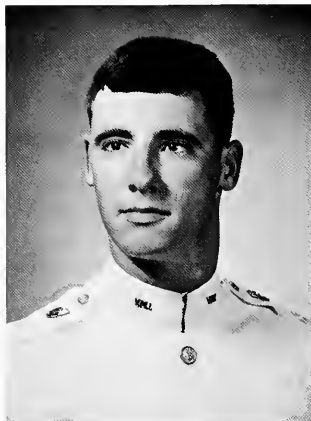
In spite of his incautious manner, he produced as a Regimental Commander and, perhaps, as a safety measure, dabbled in basketball to keep Joe from becoming a dull boy. For those who knew him, it will suffice to say that Joe is not a dull boy.



"Killer" Kowalski



Joe Smith



James Clifford Reeves, III
Pine Bluff, Arkansas

James Clifford Reeves, III
Economics, Air Force

Kenneth Walter Kowalski
Physics, Air Force

Pvt., Baseball, Fencing, Intramural Football, Basketball, AIP, Newman Club, Wesley Foundation, YRC, Cadet Waiter, Lover.

Off the Yankee Island near New York came the Baby of the class to make his mark at the Institute. "Little" Ken has always been rather noticeable to his Brother Rats, especially with his dynamic voice and lively actions. He has learned much from the Institute about character building with academics as a sideline.

Since he discovered girls his Third Class year, it has been hard to hold "Little" Ken down. "Hungry Hill" has been one of his many hangouts, with Randy Mac and the local high school thrown in for spice.

Rounding out his career at the Institute are Johnny's, the CI, and those famous Pine Room Parties. Ken will always be remembered for his love of life, and his famous affairs. The Class wishes Ken well and leaves him with these last words: "You will get caught someday!"

Pvt., Cross Country, Indoor Track, Outdoor Track, Rat Football, Intramural Handball, Episcopal Church, Young Republican Club President.

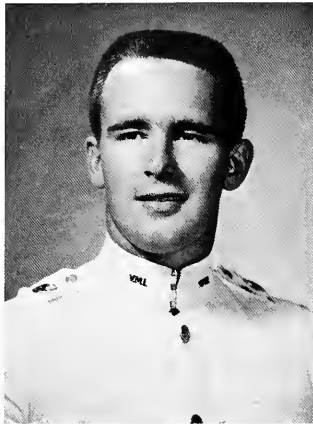
No one can ever say that Jay's life here has been dull. The first year for Jay was a rough one as far as injuries go. Dr. Old has never figured out how Jay broke his arm with an M-1, practicing football. It was also very common to hear—"Andrassy, you sleazy —!"

Jay wore a ring through his nose for 3 long years with a chain running all the way to Oklahoma, but he still confesses that some of the nicest people in the world are Injuns in "mini's."

We are all sure that Jay's good nature, sense of humor, friendliness, and a fine girl like Patti will take him far in the years to come. It is also a good bet to say that Jay will set up his law practice in the good territory of Arkansas. Best of Luck Brother Rat Gross Bod!



"Jay Bird" Reeves



Wilson Robert Waldron
Vinton, Virginia

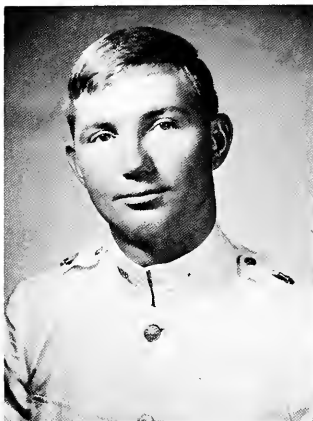


John Dutton Warburton
Charlottesville, Virginia

John Dutton Warburton
Civil Engineering, Air Force

Pvt., 1st Sgt., RDC, Intramural Volleyball, Football, American Society of Civil Engineers, Timmins Society, Food Committee, Class Committee, Bugler, Coffee Hour.

Dust, dust everywhere and still no letter in sight—but who can expect mail after his Anne slips the ring through his nose! Since the first moment he arrived, Tubby has known that his calling was to the finer things in life—sleeping and being a grub. Alas! His plans were foiled, and he became the professional waker-upper (the most cursed man in barracks!) and a first sergeant. Actually, though, John has succeeded in making an excellent record here at the Institute. We know that our “Brother Rat” will see nothing but clear tracks ahead with Anne and the PRR.



Phillip Lee Lanier
Hurt, Virginia

Philip Lee Lanier
Civil Engineering, Artillery

Pvt., Regimental Color Sergeant, DMS, Rat Football, Rat Baseball, Varsity Baseball, Intramural Basketball, Football, American Society of Civil Engineers, Bomh Staff, Hop and Floor Committee.

In September, 1964, “Papper Pan” Lanier joined his Brother Rats in the famous march through Jackson Arch. That year Phil was the QB of “Chucklin” Charlie’s Big Greenies.” Since this tragic experience, he has become an all-star member of the Pine Room Party club, not to mention his complete mastery of the Civil Engineering curriculum. In his First Class year, however, he made the heretical decision to quit the ranks of the privates and become a Color Sergeant. We peons have forgiven Phil for this thought, and we look forward to seeing him and his red, white, and yellow umbrella at future Big Red football games.

Wilson Robert Waldron
Mathematics, Artillery

Pvt., Rat Football, Wrestling, Intramural Football, Handball, Bomb Staff.

Get off the field, Waldron! Betrayed whose guard team? Barf! Sink’s stopped up. ME? STUDY!

From the outskirts of Roanoke, Bob has come to be known by his Brother Rats as a friend who will stand up for his beliefs against any opposition. His interests in the standards and appearance of the Corps have been more than amply shown in the diligent care with which he guards his ragged uniforms. Leaving VMI with a major in pool and a minor in Math, Bob is sure to rise to stupendous heights.



“Tubby” Warburton



Phil Lanier



Bob Waldron



"Josh" Kershaw



Terry Bowers



"B.S." Bull

Charles Winston Kershaw
History, U.S.M.C.

L.Cpl., Sgt., Lt., XO-F. Co., Cross Country, Track, Intramural Cross Country, Weightlifting, Newman Club, Dean's List, International Relations Club Treasurer, President, Pioneer Investment Club Treasurer, President, Cadre.

That enlightenment may come to the post is clearly evidenced by Charlie's life, for he left the North to don the gray and surround himself with the greatest of southern traditions. His cadetship has been characterized by Stoic perseverance, for he has maintained all-around excellence without any true recognition until this last year; his reason, persistence, and self-discipline are, indeed, worthy of our respect. Charlie's first-class-year brought the further enlightenment that some of the pleasures of life are as worthy of our attention as are its duties, an exact reversal of the educational sequence of most cadets! He is fully qualified, therefore, to become a VMI alumnus, and we may be confident that he will be as successful as any who have left the gray to don the red, white, and yellow.

Terry Paul Bull
Civil Engineer, Artillery

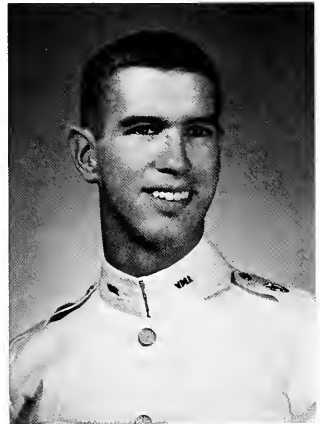
Pvt., Intramural Volleyball, ASCE, Wesley Foundation, Diving Club, Ranger, Tanker Platoon, Cadet Battery, Summer School, Hiking and Gun Club, Happy Husband.

Terry was a distinguished cadet from the moment he walked through the arch—distinguished by not knowing anything that was going on. He was made for the Hiking and Gun Club with recommendations from the Commandant's office and the RDC, but allowed his membership to lapse at Christmas. A gung-bo military private, he was destined to see the light in the spring of his third class year, and his interests shifted from his M-1 to a girl. From then, he was absent from barracks every possible weekend, and checked every regulation to make it work for him. Noted for his love of hot weather, B.S.ing, and love of being away from the Institute, he still found time during three summers to pursue academics in hopes of getting out on time. May he have good luck in marriage, an institution more suited to his tastes than this.

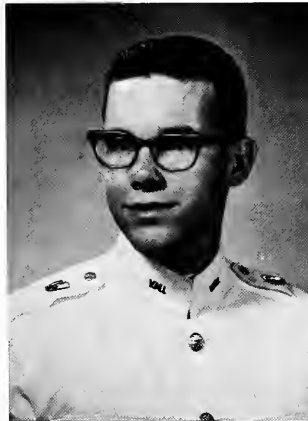
Terrence Lee Bowers
Electrical Engineer, Air Force

Pvt., L.Cpl., EC, Rat Track, Varsity Track, Rat Football, IEEE, F.C.A., Monogram Club, Civil War Roundtable.

Terry entered VMI with great ambitions of achieving scholastic honors, and becoming a leader in the Corps. After a stint as lance corporal, he decided the life of a ranker was not for him, and the latter ambition died. He devoted the rest of his cadetship to studying and vaulting. His diligent study won him high rank as an EE, fulfilling his primary goal. When not hitting the books, Terry was found on the track where he literally knocked himself out to break the VMI vaulting record. To make his story complete we must include that student nurse who owned his heart. Best of luck to Joyce and Terry.



Terrence Lee Bowers
Clear Brook, Virginia



Terry Paul Bull
Lynchburg, Virginia



Charles Winston Kershaw
Montville, New Jersey

Richard John Andrassy
Biology, Air Force

Pvt., Baseball, Wrestling, Judo, Track, Cheerleading, Intramural Basketball, Intramural Football, Pioneer Investment Club, FIP, Newman Club, Ralph's Pioneer's.

"Never . . . not til Christmas." These words ring through Old Club 160 as "Richies" famous last ones. Despite a shiny third class year, the "Jersey Joker" frolicked through the hallowed halls as a biological leader.

After a real "Cliff-hanger" at FTX his second class year, the rosey cheeked, curly haired cadet found that his love for automotive trips wasn't returned by the latter.

Rich's athletic prowess is known by coaches from Rat baseball to Varsity track. For being one of the Ghetto's best dressed and more jovial members, Bull was usually rewarded a head place in the demerit line.

Any problems that confront Rich at MCV will probably be answered by Doc Carroll's firm advice, "Shut up, Andrassy!"

John Barry Archer
Civil Engineering, Infantry

Pvt., L.Cpl., Cross Country, Soccer, Volleyball, ASCE, Ranger, Fire Fighter, Armed Forces Club, Summer School.

Barry, an Army Brat, immediately found roots at VMI and liking the Institute so much he spent all of his summers there. Besides his engineering studies, Barry had two other loves close to his heart at VMI: Rangers, and, of course, the Rats. While the Rangers remember him for the fine points of survival and mountaineering that he taught them, the Rats will always remember "The Big Ranger" for his great benevolence and compassion . . . and understanding nature!

Four long years of work and play are finally over for our Tar Heel Brother Rat. Whether Barry will retain his sliderule or trade it in on a green beret is still in question. But whatever the outcome, he will be remembered as the epitome of the VMI Spirit.

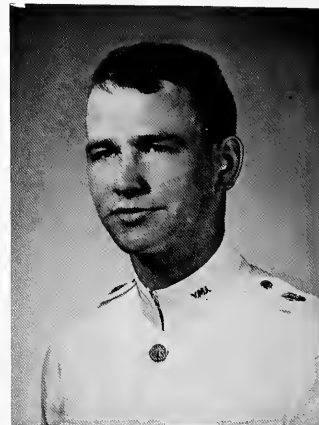


"The Chin" Archer

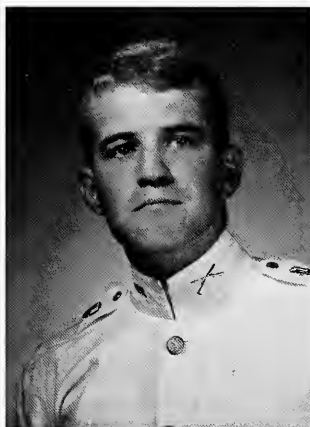
John L. Pabst, III
Economics, Artillery

Pvt., Sgt., Lt., RDC, Intramural Basketball, Volleyball, Softball, Tennis, Cadet Battery, AFC, Tidewater Club, Bridge Club.

When John came to VMI his Rat Year, the first thing he said to Mr. Young was . . . "that's right, Sir, just like in the beer—PABST." From that point on he had to rely on his wealth of knowledge of the ins and outs of VMI life to survive the Rat Year. And survive he did—from helping his roommates, to running the block more than any ten upperclassmen together. The third class year for John saw him pull his academics up to a good level and still have the same girl that he started with his Rat Year. John's second class year was an eventful one—he got made, and did a terrific job at FTX. I'm sure that the future holds many bright moments for John and his lovely Carole Anne.



John L. Pabst, III
Hampton, Virginia



John Barry Archer
Chapel Hill, North Carolina



Richard John Andrassy
North Plainfield, New Jersey

The First Class



"Ritchie" Andrassy

Joho Michael Philipps
English, Armor

Pvt., Rat Raffle Team, English Society, Bomb Staff, Cadet Staff, IRC, Philosophy Traveling Team.

"In all times there will be great peril for one who has the desires of a lofty and fastidious soul, but today it is extraordinary. Flung into a noisy, plebeian age, with which he does not care to eat out of the same dish, he can easily perish from hunger and thirst or, in case he nevertheless 'falls in' at last, from disgust."—Nietzsche.

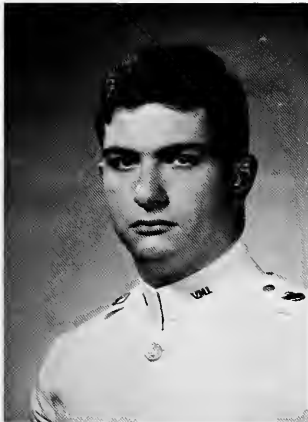
Anthony Alexander Aveta
Electrical Engineering, Artillery

Pvt., Intramural Football, Volleyball, Basketball, IEEE, Newman Club, Cadet Battery, Fire Fighting, New Jersey Club.

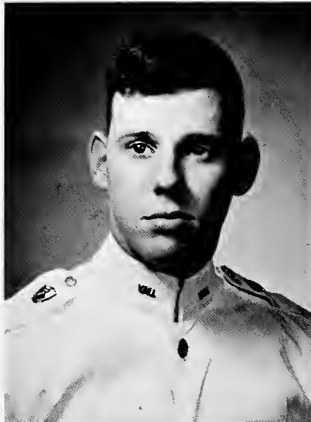
Tony, better known to the boys as "Lonely Meat," descended upon the Institute with a power possessed by few. It is known as Guinea Power. This power in Tony seems to have fed best on Budweiser, Old Forester, Zollomans, and, of course, no-tell motel. Actually, Tony came here to be an Electrical Engineer. The EE is a respected man at the Institute, because everyone knows they're the ones that don't get the breaks. When Tony drives his 'Vette away from this historic landmark, he'll carry a well earned diploma, a cheerful smile, and the strong spirit of '68."



Joho Michael Philipps
Lima, Ohio



Anthony Alexander Aveta
Flemington, New Jersey



Peter Richard Goldman
Alexandria, Virginia

Peter Richard Goldman
Civil Engineering, Artillery

Pvt., Intramural Football, Softball, ASCE, Armed Forces Club, Glee Club, Cadet Battery, Bowling League.

Pete entered VMI a dedicated private, playboy, and lover of the finer things in life such as women and wild parties. He is leaving the Institute with the same high standards. Such outstanding organizations as the "1789 Club" and "The Keepers" kept Pete on the crooked and wide path.

In between haircuts and graduating, Pete became one of the many CE's majoring in Physics, also mastering the challenge of VMI during the warmer months.

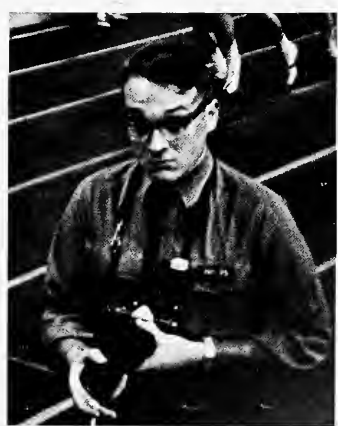
Pete's outgoing personality and eventual success in a tough curriculum make him ready for any challenge life has to offer.



"Lonely Meat" Aveta



Pete Goldman



Mike Philipps



"Rev" Jones

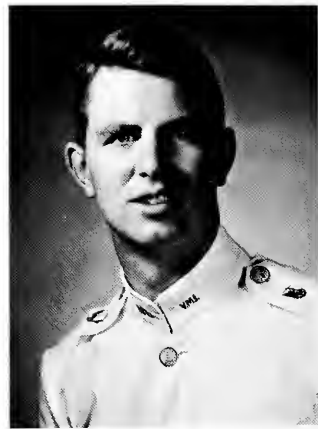
Reverdy Hamlin Jones
Economics, Armor

Pvt., L.Cpl., Varsity Tennis, Rat Cross Country, Indoor Track, Outdoor Track, Intramural Football, Soccer, Basketball, Economics Club, Bee's Nest, Political Science Society, Ghetto, Gim, Tobacco and Harvest Bowl Escort.

Here we are on a typical weekday night, with everybody studying. Well, he could, possibly, be out studying, but a better guess would be the TV room or the PX. It's tough when you've got one class period a day.

Rev is so easy going that he can get along well with everyone. His only problem has been fighting off the girls. He used to spend his weekends "watching TV" with his favorite Catholic, or punching out a tough Madisonite.

With your luck, there is no sense in ending with a sentimental eulogy. Just let us know when you become president of IT&T.



Reverdy Hamlin Jones
Fairmont, West Virginia



"Duck" MacCuish



Donald Alexander MacCuish
Gloucester, Massachusetts

Donald Alexander MacCuish
History, Infantry

Pvt., Cross Country, Swimming, Judo Co-Captain, Armed Forces Club Activities Chairman, Secretary-Treasurer, President, Chapel Choir, AID, Civil War Round Table, Glee Club, Yankee Club, Language Lab Assistant.

"Out a Gloucester" came our boy, and with him the familiar "quack" which has echoed throughout barracks for the past four years. Don has always been a firm believer in the old saying "dulce et decorum est . . ." and this will be shown on graduation day when he trades cadet gray for army green with gold bars.

His future points toward the East-Far East, but the rice served in the Mess Hall has prepared him well for his journey.

With his new Malibu, new uniforms, and new home state (for car registration only), we leave our hero with this piece of advice—"keep your shot record up to date!"



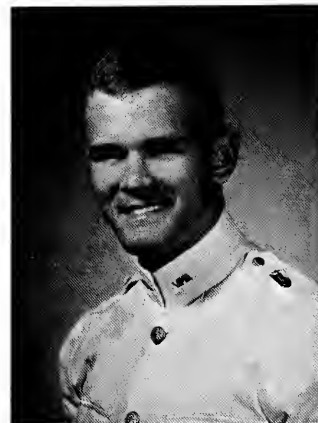
"Big John" Crim

John David Crim
Civil Engineer, Army

Pvt., Judo, Football, Intramural Basketball, Swimming, ASCE, White Front Pic Shop.

Four years ago New Market's revenge on VMI ambled through stoop-nigger arch in his first attempt to evade the system. John has won numerous awards at the Institute in his four years. These wonderful accomplishments include repeated selection to General Shell's all pro team. Several of these selections resulted from first place in the sinks beautification contest his third class year.

John's future lies in the field of Sanitary Engineering which he hopes to pursue after graduation. Although knowing John for only three years, we have developed a fine friendship which we're sure will be unending. To a big soul brother, a fine gentleman, a scholar, and a Brother Rat, we wish the best.



John David Crim
New Market, Virginia

Philip Michael Pazich
Physics, Air Force

Pvt., L. Cpl., Intramural Football, American Institute of Physics, Sigma Pi Sigma President.

"Herr" Pazich came to VMI with the hopes of high academic achievement and high rank. He achieved his academic grandeur throughout his four years, and his astounding military ability was awarded by being made a "one-week wonder" Lance Corporal. The summer before his first class year he extended his travel to Coral Gables and the University of Miami where he continued his studies on the beaches and in the bars.

Phil is looking forward to graduate school, and a career in science. Good luck to a great Brother Rat.

Timothy Eugene Underwood
Physics, Artillery

Pvt., L.Cpl., Supply Sgt., Distinguished Academic Student, Distinguished Military Student, Intramural Handball, Tennis, Sigma Pi Sigma Secretary, Leader VMI Commanders, American Institute of Physics.

The "Fat Rat" began becoming a citizen soldier in Scott Ship making mathematical "tools" for the C. E. and physics people to use. But the light dawned his second class year when he moved into the suburbs at Mallory Hall to use some of his "tools" for physics. Between Dean's List Furloughs and Commanders' trips, he's a rare bird to see, but that hasn't prevented an occasional stop to write Teddie, his girl through thick and thin for the last five years, and to sew on a new set of stripes.

At the end of this enlightening four-year pseudo-military experience, we say to the "Zloat," it's been fun, and may you never share mess on our table.

Robert Lawrence McDowell
Economics, Air Force

Pvt., L.Cpl., Supply Sgt., Intramural Basketball, Volleyball, Auto Committee, Fire Fighters, Dean's List, Economics Dept. Asst.

To his Brother Rats, Bob is known as a hard worker, highly interested in the betterment of the Class as well as the Corps. His personal pride has made him a success both in the academics and in the military. But wait! Let's not forget Lisa, that lovely young lady who has suffered through the trial of the Institute along with him.

Bob is always ready to discuss new ideas. Well known to all of us is his successful formation of the 1968 Automobile Committee, which again shows his interest in the Class as a whole. Bob's high ideals, as well as his witty thinking, will carry him successfully through life. The Class of 1968 wishes Bob and Lisa the best of luck in the future.

Philip Michael Pazich
Ambridge, Pennsylvania

Timothy Eugene Underwood
Livonia, Michigan

Robert Lawrence McDowell
Severna Park, Maryland

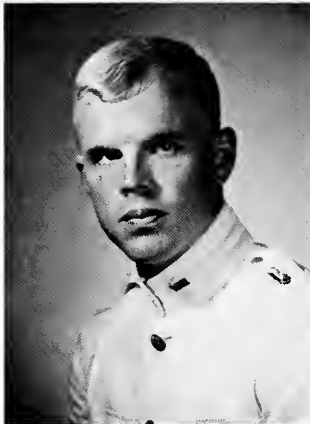
Bob McDowell

"Herr" Pazich

Tim Underwood



"Mac" Smith



McLean Smith, Jr.
Arlington, Virginia

McLean Smith, Jr.
History, Artillery

Pvt., Regimental Supply Sgt., Intramural Football, Basketball, Softball, Tennis, Cadet Staff, IRC, Veep-Bowling Club, Ring Figure Com., Cadet Battery, Radio Club.

Upon entering VMI's hallowed yellow walls, Mac soon made a name for himself by joining the 10-6-30 Club. After a somewhat quiet third class year, Mac soon let himself be known to his Brother Rats by way of 249. A true follower of the private of the month club, Mac shocked the world by becoming a zebra his senior year, and also seriously considered changing from History to Chinese Economics which resulted in 3 extra hours the next semester. Gung-ho all the way, Mac plans for two years in the Reserve Finance Corps before venturing into the business world. The Class of '68 wishes him the best of luck.



Robert Perkins Fletcher, Jr.
Norfolk, Virginia

Robert Perkins Fletcher, Jr.
Civil Engineering, Infantry

Pvt., Wrestling, Track, Intramural Football, Volleyball, Cross Country, Wrestling, Gymnastics, Monogram Club, Glee Club, Tide-water Club, GFCA.

Wine, women, and motorcycles! This "Granby Grappler" spent the greater of his four years enjoying the better things in life. (Probably the only cadet to have dated every girl in Lexington). At times, the going got rough, but even with 72 demerits and "mucho" confinement, Bob became a First Classman.

Even confinement couldn't keep "Big Fletch" from running the block for a frat party or a midnight rendezvous. "Flex" excelled in wrestling and intramurals, snagged an ROTC physical fitness award, and somehow kept a healthy academic average. Best of love and luck to Bob.



Bob Fletcher

Frank Joseph Pinizzotto
Civil Engineering, Air Force

Pvt., Supply Sgt., Cross Country, Track, American Society of Civil Engineers, Civil Shaft, Newman Club, FIP, Monogram Club, "CCFB," Ring Figure Staff, DMS, Rat Social Committee.

The transition from the lofty King of Glassboro H. S. to the lowly and insignificant Rat would be considerable for anyone. Needless to say, Frank and VMI didn't appear to be the "winning combination," but the "Hood" made it, and made it big. He ranks at the top of the CE curriculum, has run track all year round for four years; and, yes, the "wop" is even a ranker.

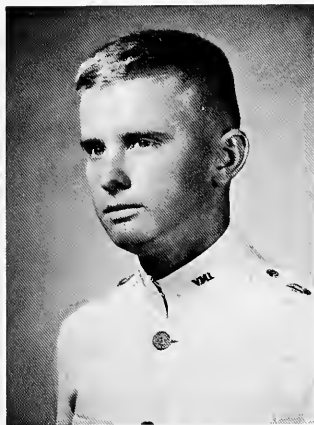
From this endless line of A's and B's, varsity letters, scholarships, and summer camp awards emerges our Brother Rat. You know, the same kid we see at the Pine Room, and Johnny's; the guy with the towel on his shoulder who listens to our sob stories; and the one that ought to be a grub, but isn't. The Class wishes Frank the best.



Frank Joseph Pinizzotto
Glassboro, New Jersey



"Wop" Pinizzotto



Thomas Ryland Nuckols
Hopewell, Virginia

John Barrett Timmons
Civil Engineering, Infantry

Pvt., Gymnastics Manager, Intramural Volleyball, Gymnastics, Cross Country, ASCE, Wesley Foundation, Fire Fighting, IRC, Scuba Club Treasurer, 3rd Stoop Sinks Decorating Committee.

Many years ago, about four, J. B. decided to change the image of the "Engineer." His cadetship has been devoted to a literary end. Rat year he learned how to use twenty-five cent words. Satire blossomed his Third Class year as the 343 Sinks Press "published" his humble efforts. Censorship soon ended those illustrious endeavors. Becoming a man of letters was the next step. Acknowledgement of success was soon received from Randolph-Macon. Broadening the scope of his reading was his First Class project. Two hours per exam, sixteen on Westerns, and War stories just to "mark time?" But then why study when you're on Dean's List more than off?

Thomas Ryland Nuckols
Mathematics, Infantry

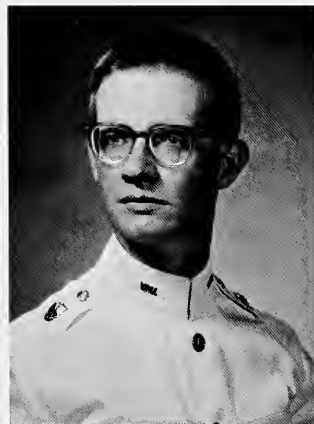
Pvt., L.Cpl., DAS, DMS, Intramural Football, Basketball, Volleyball, Photography Editor **Bomb**, Methodist Sunday School.



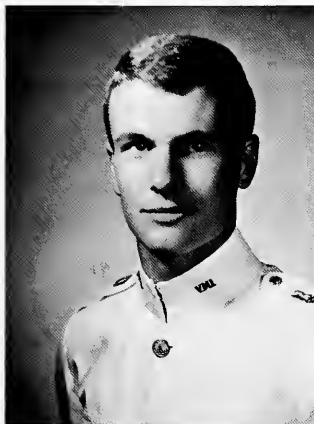
J. B. Timmons



"Bucky" Miller



John Barrett Timmons
Baltimore, Maryland



Vernon Cecil Miller, Jr.
Moorestown, New Jersey

Vernon Cecil Miller, Jr.
History, Infantry

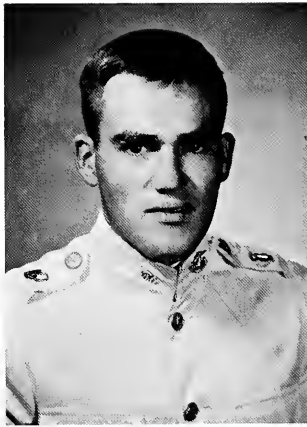
Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Lt., Rat Wrestling, Soccer, Skiing, Cadet, Editor-in-Chief 1968 **Bomb**, Glee Club Vice Pres., Timmins Society, English Society, IRC, Publications Board, Who's Who In American Colleges, Vestal Virgin (ret.), Ring Figure Committee. P.W.

The story of Buck Miller is a living example of a man who has triumphed over his environment. For a sensitive person, VMI often stifles creativity; apathy sets in. Buck Miller, truly an idealistic person, has managed to roll with a multiple of administrative punches. A Northerner, a Quaker, and a passionate believer in honor, Buck found that not everyone at VMI plays by the same rules. If he is a rebel, it is a valid response to the disillusionment he feels. But disillusion cannot be prevented, and neither can the final victory of Buck Miller. AMF.

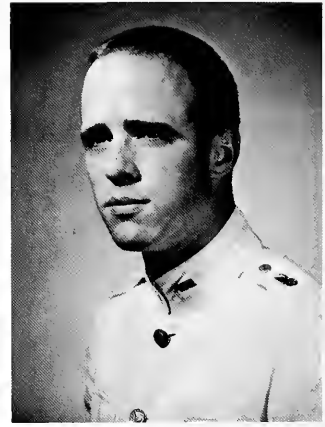
Robert Wayne Spruell
History, USMC

Pvt., Indoor and Outdoor Track, Cross Country, Rangers, Armed Forces Club, IRC, Monogram Club.

Completing a quiet "freshman" year, Wayne very quickly became a member of the liquid lunch boys. Even with his frequent trips to the "Keepers," Wayne still managed to make Dean's List his second class year. An avid supporter of the 1789 Club, Wayne seemed to blend into the quiet atmosphere of Georgetown. Looking forward to a rosy future in the Marines, Wayne became an elite member of the "Vette" club. Although one of the friendliest guys at VMI, Wayne still managed to leave his stamp at W&L. Proving himself with the books when he wanted to, Wayne has shown us that he will succeed in whatever he attempts.



Robert Wayne Spruell
Annandale, Virginia



Michael Charles Sartori
Randalstown, Maryland

William Robert Welsh
History, Artillery

Pvt., Swimming, Judo, Intramural, Football, Volleyball, Basketball, Newman Club, Pioneer Investment Club.

Despite Bill's unassuming manner, he has always attracted attention and provided many moments of laughter for his friends. Even with all this attention, the "Cloud" has maintained his cool and become of the most "capable" men in the ghetto.

During his cadetship, many of his abilities such as eating, romancing, swimming, and foreign languages have shown forte. Who else would be all right for a stick check at the John Marshall Hotel? Who else besides the clever "Cloud" would be so deceptive as to wear his civies under his uniform upon returning from a First Class weekend.

After shedding his burden in the military as an exchange officer with the North Vietnamese Army, Bill's future looks bright and success should be a sure thing.



William Robert Welsh
Purcellville, Virginia

Michael Charles Sartori
History, Air Force

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Lt., DMS, Swimming, Intramural, Volleyball, Cross Country, IRC, Newman Club, Union Board Com., Hop & Floor Com.

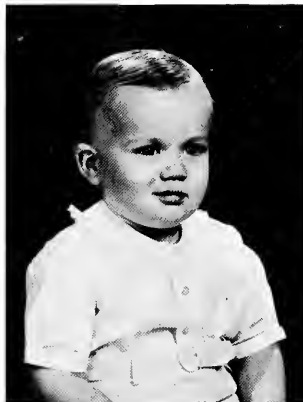
Mike began his college career as an engineer, but soon realized that building bridges would not be his forte, and switched to the History curriculum. Notable were the Geology field trips, on which he became intimately acquainted with rocks and minerals. . . . especially on the rocks which were best for sleeping.

It seems somewhat strange to hear Mike's name mentioned around barracks without it being closely followed by another . . . Martha. His frequent visits to Sem, and Martha's frequent visits to Lexington were ample proof that Mike's and her upcoming wedding was incoitable.

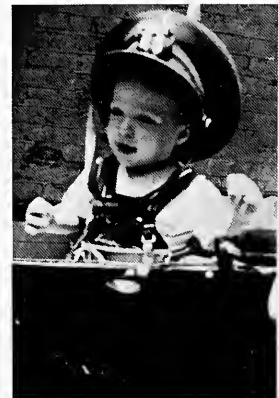
Good luck at Flight School, we'll see you in '73.



Bill Welsh



Wayne Spruell



Mike Sartori



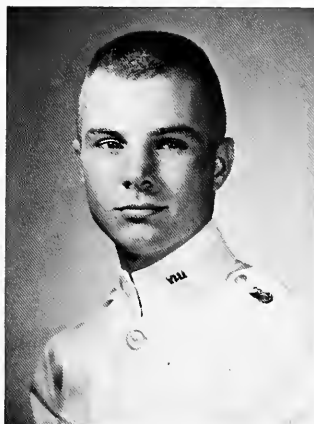
Stephen Michael Hubbard
Altavista, Virginia

Stephen Michael Hubbard
Chemistry, Artillery

L.Cpl., Pvt., Cross Country, Co-Capt., Track, American Chemical Society, Newman Club, Glee Club, Monogram Club, Chemistry Lab Asst., Barber.

Paralleling his experiences, "Little Mont" combines varied attributes. He is a conscientious student, and one of the top-ranking Chemistry majors. He has proven his capability on the VMI track for four years, and was chosen as co-captain of the Sounds of Otis and more sublime forms C.C. team. He has an affinity for the solid of the art.

Hub enjoys other entertainment also. He is very fond of expanding his mind with Thrift at Johnny's. Underlying these tendencies, however, is a serious nature, and a discerning intellect which will insure him of future success.



Garland West Padgett, Jr.
Langley Air Force Base, Virginia

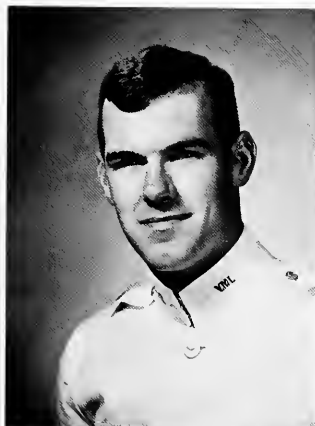
Garland West Padgett, Jr.
Biology, Air Force

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., 1st Lt., 2nd Bn. Adj., DMS, Cross Country, Indoor Track, Outdoor Track, Water Polo, VMI Cadet News Staff, VMI Cadet Feature Editor, Religious Council, BSU Executive Committee, Outstanding Air Force ROTC Cadet, Air Force Times Award-Summer Camp 1967, Scuba Club, Glee Club.

Down the stoops, in ranks and in a number of "other" places, the human sabre walks, bones, and sings "Oh Shenandoah" while thinking of a certain redhead.

Born with wings and an uncanny ability to get out of "specials," Wes flew in F.I.P. and on Interstate 81. He got the rank he worked for, and finally made the Dean's List. Actually, these achievements didn't surprise any of his Brother Rats, for they knew he would work until he reached his goals. And undoubtedly he will continue to work for even greater future achievements.

VMI may have more Battalion Adjutants, but it will never have another like Wes.



Garland Pershing Sprinkle, Jr.
Fincastle, Virginia

Garland Pershing Sprinkle, Jr.
Chemistry, Artillery

Pvt., Intramural, Volleyball, Basketball, American Chemical Society.

... Yes, and then was Buz there standing in Jackson Arch, a timid farm boy trying to break into the big time. He suffered a serious setback his rat year, however, his first true love shot him down. Nevertheless, he rebounded his third class year by pinning a "Sem girl" on their fourth date. But this was short-lived as were all of his affairs in his 3rd and 2nd class years. After all his frustrations in love, Buz has finally done the only thing left to do—he got engaged to Nancy after a whirlwind courtship.

With Nancy at his side, Buz is sure to "break into the big time" as he first set out to do four long years ago. All of his Brother Rats wish him and Nancy the best of luck in the future.



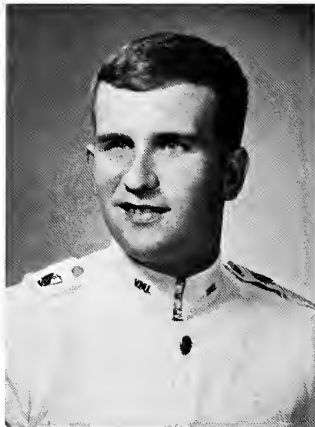
"Hub" Hubbard



"Wes" Padgett



"Buz" Sprinkle



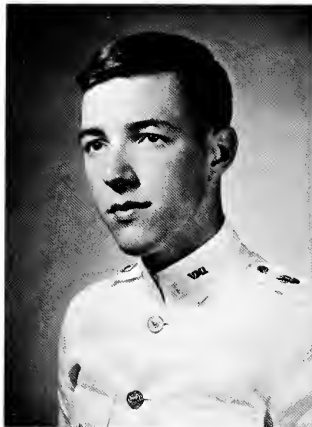
Jay Bruce Slaughter
Glen Head, Long Island, New York

Jay Bruce Slaughter
Chemistry, Artillery

Pvt., Rat Track, Intramural, Football, Softball, Basketball, American Chemical Society, Cadet Battery, Spirit of '68 Committee.

The "fat Rat," far from his Long Island residence, soon found himself a permanent home at the Institute. Neither excelling at his studies, nor in the military, he still managed to finish out his first year. It was during finals of this year that he realized there was only one girl for him, Sharon.

When Jay returned his third class year, he found the going tough. It seemed as if he would never return to his home. Having survived two summer schools, Jay had two things to look forward to, graduation and a wedding. His BR's wish Sharon and Jay the best.



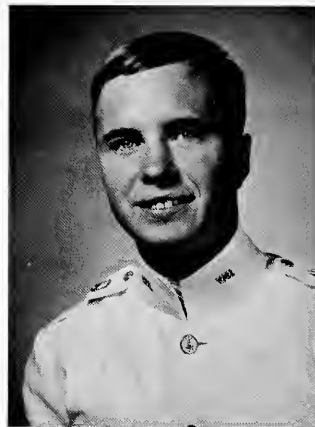
Gordon White VanHoose, III
Belcher, Louisiana

Gordon White VanHoose, III
Biology, Artillery

Pvt., Cross Country, Indoor and Outdoor Track, Monogram Club, Deep South Club.

Being the son of a loyal alumnus, Hoose was a little wary of the perils of VMI when he matriculated. Although he has long expressed his envy of the social life at LSU, he has made a good adjustment to VMI.

His real success has been in the sports field. "Hoose" has gone on to win many points for VMI, and many awards for himself due to his record setting performances in the triple-jump. His good humor and athletic ability have earned him the nickname of "Mopp" from his teammates.



Larry Bruce McGlothlin
Bethel Park, Pennsylvania

Larry Bruce McGlothlin
English, Armor

Pvt., Indoor Track, Outdoor Track, Monogram Club, Pittsburgh Club, Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

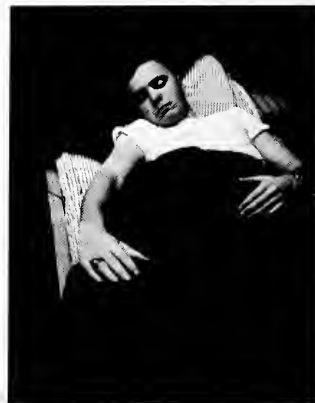
Starting from the booming metropolis of Bethel Park, Pennsylvania, this personable young man set out to let VMI know what the story was all about. Cuz has been active on many fronts, leading his famous "Blocks Boys" through many laps on the track, and many weeks of the wild summer-school sessions. Besides being devoted to high hurdle races, Cuz always hit the books with a determined attitude, although the Shed deflated it somewhat with numerous "good deals." The Class of '68 wishes Cousin Bruce the best of luck in all his endeavors, and leaves him with those nostalgic words: "Bueno, continuemos."



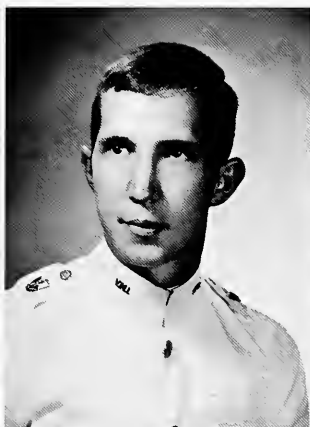
J. B. Slaughter



"Hoose" Van Hoose



"Cuz" McGlothlin



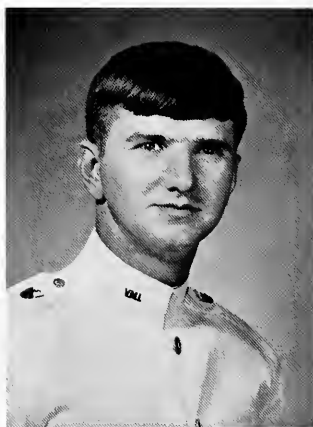
Douglas Paul Schnabel
Bethel Park, Pennsylvania

Douglas Paul Schnabel
Biology, Armor

Pvt., Cross Country, Monogram Club, Indoor and Outdoor Track, VAS, Fire Fighting.

To give a synopsis of "The Snoopy's" cadetship would do injustice to many of his finer deeds. Some of us may recall the time he disguised himself as a member of the guard team, and succeeded in throwing a goodly number of Rat bayrools into the Nile. Those of us remembering this courageous act will recall his phenomenal luck, for he never seemed to get caught.

It is only fitting that the beginning of Doug's biography close with a quote descriptive of his ambition to work in the field of forestry: "This man was born rich in his love of the great outdoors."

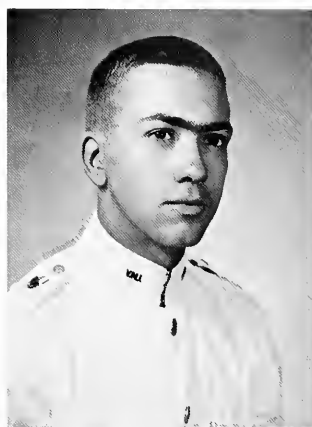


Frederick Hulon King
Arlington, Virginia

Frederick Hulon King
English, Artillery

Pvt., Wrestling, Fencing, Intramural, Football, Volleyball, English Society, International Relations Club, VMI Cadet, Cadet waiter, English Department Assistant.

"There is no fate which cannot be surmounted by scorn." This quotation from Camus perhaps best summarizes Fred's internment at VMI. If apathy and ennui are desirable traits, then surely he was an admirable cadet. If not, then little was ventured and nothing gained. Graduation will be a day of crisis for him when he must re-evaluate those opinions and ideals which have been forced upon him in his innocence, and enter the life of freedom he most desperately desires but cannot endure. After that day, who can guess, for "Now that we're happy, what shall we do?"



David A. Cortese
Houston, Pennsylvania

David A. Cortese
Physics, Air Force

Pvt., L.Cpl., 2nd Bn. Sgt. Maj., Judo, American Institute of Physics, Newman Club, IRC, Armed Forces Club, Glee Club.

Through the years, Dave has repeatedly passed courses with titles his LA roommate couldn't pronounce. In fact, his worst enemy at VMI has been himself. Probably no Brother Rat can match his history of "accidents" in the room or damage account at the QMD. Rank and love came late to Dave, but his first class year found him suddenly with stripes and not one, but two, wonderful loves, as well as lower grades. Decisively undecided, Dave can't choose between his two loves and an Air Force that may want him too. Good luck Dave; we wish we had your problem.



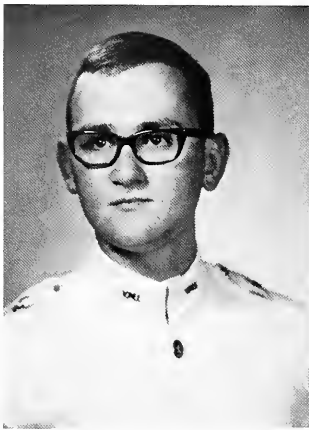
"Snoopy" Schnabel



"Big Otis" King



Dave Cortese



Paul Douglas Quillen
Miami, Florida

Paul Douglas Quillen
Electrical Engineer, Air Force

Pvt., Gymnastics, Scuba Club, President, Timmins Society Sound Technician, Young Republicans Club, IEEE.

Ever since his arrival to these ballowed halls "Screwloose," as he was appropriately called by his dyke, has had a part in almost everything.

His four years here have been very erratic, Paul has been a terror to Rats, but a Rat Daddy, the top gymnast, but a virtual spastic in other sports, an Electrical Engineer, but a lover of classical music.

Several things haven't changed. If there's a loophole in a regulation, he'll find it. If he can make a nickel, he will take 6¢.

There's one thing for certain, Paul is not the military type—even flunked summer camp.

Charles William Besenfelder
History, Army

Pvt., Intramural Volleyball, Baseball, Basketball, Cadet Waiter, VMI Cadet, Wesley Foundation, Hop and Floor Committee, Armed Forces Club, International Relations Club, Salute Battery, Fire Fighting, Young Republicans, Richmond Club, Cadet Receptionist.

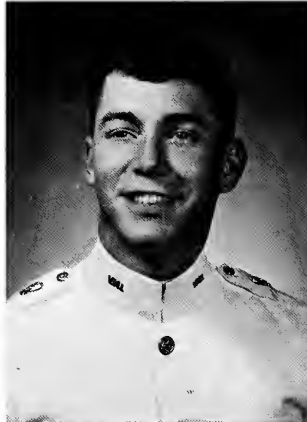
On September 10, 1964, Billy matriculated from down Richmond way. As a Rat, he stayed out of trouble militarily, while almost managing to leave via the academic bypass.

Billy learned the military easily for he had it for four years in high school. At the end of our Rat Year he decided on academics over rank.

Always known as a "fair" cadet waiter, and one who always tries to get out of things, he now leaves behind him four years of borderline toiling. As usual, he doesn't have the same girl (nobody has the same one for 4 years), and the Class of '68 and the "Benedictine boys" want to wish him and Kathy the best always.



Billy Besenfelder

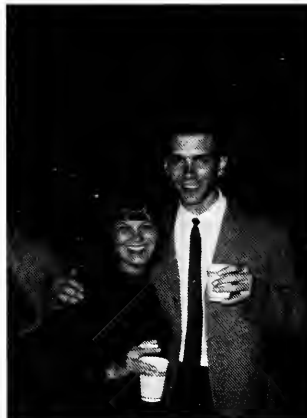


William Bracken Todd
History, Air Force

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Cpt., Commander Co. F, DAS, Rat and Varsity Swimming, Intramural Volleyball, Water Polo, Reserve Officers Association, Monogram Club, International Relations Club, Vice Commandants Award.

"Let's nuke Hanoi!" You ground pounders might as well go home, the Air Force is going to win this war! "I'll never get married." "Not even if I were the last man on earth and she the last woman." . . . Reflections à la Todd. Yet despite these obvious drawbacks Bill is a good man. Well, admittedly Bill had had to work for what he has gotten in the way of grades. But just ask the Rats how good his parties were, and just ask his girls how good a date he was. They'll tell you he was always good, several times superb, and one time fantastic. What more could be said of a VMI man?—Reflections à la Todd.

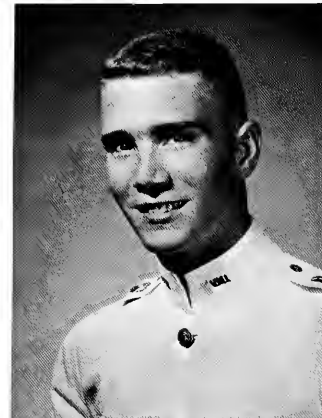
Charles William Besenfelder
Richmond, Virginia



"Toad" Todd



"Screwloose" Quillen



William Bracken Todd
Wright-Patterson A.F.B., Ohio



William John Andrews
Chesapeake, Virginia

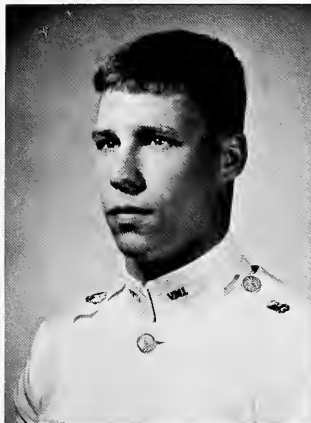
William John Andrews
Electrical Engineering, Air Force

Pvt., Rat Swimming, Intramural Volleyball, Football, Softball, IEEE.

John entered VMI ready and willing (?) to devote four years to the field of procrastination, and he did an outstanding job. Many accomplishments, most of which can be considered minor, can be attributed to this fox, but the greatest of these was the consumption of 51 popsicles in one dull evening CQ. After this, he really put forth the supreme effort; along with a great deal of help from the HAY MONSTER, he showed up Dr. Foster's sleep lab. The kid really came through with the supreme surprise upon returning from Xmas '67, when he announced a gal named Anne had him by "leads." Best wishes to William John and his!



John Andrews



Byron Francis Nettrour, Jr.
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Byron Francis Nettrour, Jr.
Electrical Engineering, Artillery

Pvt., DMS, Intramural Football, Softball, IEEE, Cadet Battery.

On judgment day, there is going to be a big fight between God and the Devil for the soul of Lord Byron because each of them is going to swear he was their agent on earth.

Few people will deny that he serves as the epitome of Brother Rat spirit. He is always one to be counted on when everyone else seems to desert. Lord Byron is there to pick up the pieces. The Devil would point out that no one else would sneak a girl into barracks simply for the sport of it! Anybody who has played intramural football knows that he is not a nice guy to have on the other side.

Although this debate will probably continue until judgment day, nobody will deny that Lord Byron is truly warm, friendly, and controversial.

Paul Bruce Grigg
English, Artillery

L.Cpl., Sgt., Lt., DMS, RDC, Rat Social Committee, Rat Wrestling, Intramural Volleyball, English Society Sec. and Pres., Cadet Battery, First Class Representative to Publications Board, BRSR Club, Investment Varsity.

In the closing moments of summer, as the warm zephyrs caressed the majestic countenance of the Shenandoah, the sage Kazimoto bombed in from the woodlands of Pennsylvania.

So tantamount were his leadership abilities, that he became a Moses-figure in the mass migrations out of NEB, and a "green-giant" in the Garden Club of '89. "Ole Pistol Paul," the only gray-haired sergeant in the corp, was one of the chief "Institute Varsity Lettermen." His free-time was filled with a half-time Sunday job at J.M. Hall, an 8-day semester break, clandestine movements as the Mad Bomber, and the initiation of the "Let's blow Graduation exercises."

But Paul possesses a profound philosophical nature where VMI is concerned as expressed in, "When you're at VMI, you've never been anywhere else. When you're away you've never been at VMI."

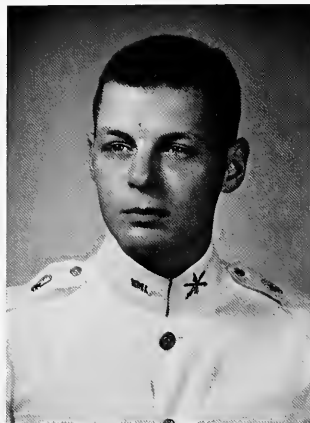
AMEN, BROTHER RAT!!!



"The Yellow Baron" Grigg



Byron Nettrour



Paul Bruce Grigg
Lebanon, Pennsylvania



Ronald Steven Stultz
Winchester, Virginia

Ronald Steven Stultz
Electrical Engineering, Artillery

Pvt., Rat Swimming Team, Intramural Volleyball, IEEE, Southern Agnostics, Radio Club, Armed Forces Club, YRC, Scouter's Club, Cadet Assistant Psychology Dept.

A citizen soldier, he's not. Rather Ron could be called the "Renaissance Man" who came to VMI seeking a total education, and now that has stretched into 5 years and a possible 3 majors. A protege of Dean Foster, Ron has spent considerable time on subconscious probings, TV cameras, and psychology projects. With an acute ability to perceive the true motives of people, he has few close friends, but those few he can trust implicitly. Actually the essence of Ron lies in these words: harmless, caustic, loyal, wise, mystic, genius, patient, eternal. Good luck to the 1st stoop's part-time philosopher, and may you get your share, Brother Rat.



Ron Stultz



"Pottovitch" Philpott

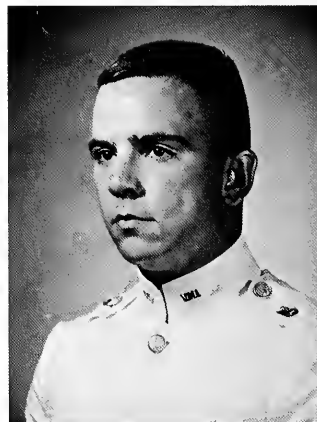
John Robert Philpott, Jr.
Economics, Air Force

Pvt., Sgt., Rat Basketball Manager, Baseball Manager, Intramural Football, Basketball, Pioneer Investment Club Vice President, Deep South Club, PT Officer.

From Lexington, N.C., to Lexington, Va., came the Class of '68's only "Pottovitch," Carolina's own Marshal Zhukov.

Bob learned early that the amount of study was directly proportional to amount of knowledge, and he has remained Number One in the Economics Department since his Rat Year.

We'll always remember Bob for his hands (wet),—as the "Dean of the Hardwood," and as one who was never too busy to help a Brother Rat get his grades up. Because of Bob's nature, he's sure to do as well later as he has in the past—and that's too good—he's a winner all the way.



John Robert Philpott, Jr.
Lexington, North Carolina

Theodore Edmond Leduc
History, Infantry

Pvt., Intramural Volleyball, Basketball, Handball, Softball, Glee Club, Hop and Floor Committee, VMI Young Republicans, Bomb, Cadet Chapel Choir, Wesley Foundation.

"LeDuck" "Anyone want any booze brought into barracks?" "New roommates needed—apply at Club 300." "You've been drinking—boned for being improperly dressed on stoop." "As you were, I don't guess you have been drinking after all."

These are just a few of the memories by which we will remember Brother Rat Theo. Though he resides at Hampden-Sydney, Va, his heart is in the sunny land of Florida. Good luck to Brother Rat Theo and his fiancée, Dory, for we all know something good is bound to come out of the only one to survive "Club 300" without a scratch.



Theodore Edmond Leduc
Hampden-Sydney, Virginia



Theo Leduc



"Green Beret" Edwards

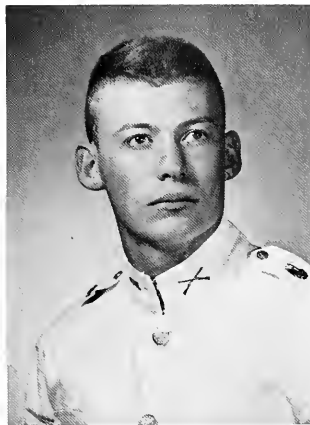
George Harold Edwards
History, Infantry

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Lt., DMS, Intramural Basketball, **Bomb** Staff, Executive Council BSU, Pres. Civil War Round Table, Armed Forces Club.

A Tidewater gentleman enrolled in VMI in September, and after a short stay in the hospital, during cadre, he joined the Corps in November.

George's military mind proved capable of securing rank and the leadership of the Civil War Roundtable, but this was useless in keeping hold of Donna, Virginia, Bunny, Sylvia, Marsha, Anita, etc. As often as he was shot down, it was well he joined the Infantry and not the Air Force.

As the years passed, George rose to Lieutenant and stood high in academics. Some underclassman realized his true personality when he wrote "God is not dead, He is a Lieutenant in Band Company."



George Harold Edwards
Colonial Heights, Virginia

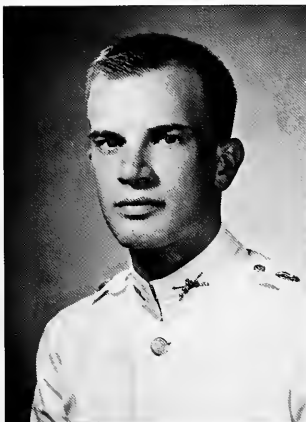
Robert Parker Trenck
Mathematics, Armor

Pvt., L.Cpl., Rat Social Committee, Wrestling, Intramural Volleyball, Cross Country, Softball, Timmins Music Society, Armed Forces Club, VMI Scouter's Club, Young Republican Club.

Rob's first encounter with the Institute was uneventful, until Easter when a certain young lady made her first appearance at these hallowed halls. From then on Rob's hop ticket received quite a workout as did the buses between Lexington and Lynchburg.

Following his Ring Figure, Rob learned that his first cousin was not related to him at all; and received 10-1-20 for thinking he was related.

The following November was Ring Figure renewed, but this time the ring was for Missy and held a diamond. "Someday," huh, Rob?



Robert Parker Trenck
Port Chester, New York



Rob Trenck

David Leonard Avery
History, Armor

Pvt., Lt., Rifle Team, Intramural Soccer, Tanker Platoon, AFC, IRC, YRC.

When Ace signed "The Book," he really thought he had VMI knocked. A few minutes later he found that he had a lot to learn. He has done exactly that.

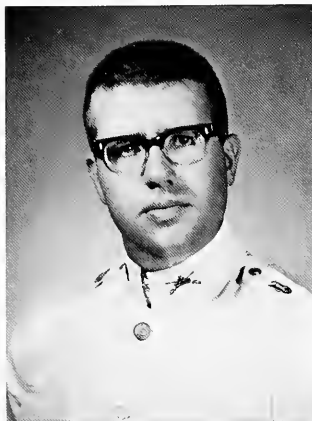
Besides wearing stars and being one of the few ordinary rankers, he was a member of that illustrious Tanker Platoon. Dave found out this year that the road from White's Farm is a "long road back."

Regardless of the many obstacles he has had to surmount, Dave has come through the four years of trial and tribulation to make him one of our most congenial Brother Rats.

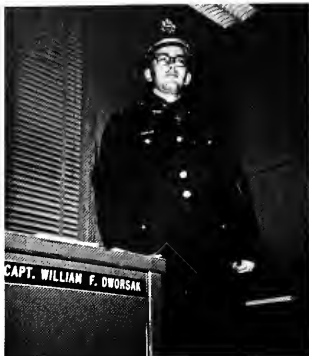
Best of luck to you, Dave, and don't let anything get you down.



"Ace" Avery



David Leonard Avery
Richmond, Virginia



"Spic" Switzer

Harold William Switzer
Chemistry, Artillery

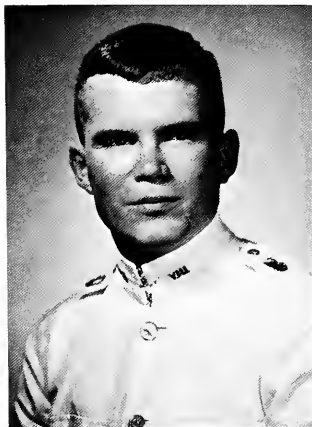
Pvt., Rat Wrestling, Intramural Volleyball, Cross Country, ACS, Nub Club, Organic Popcorn Com., Eastern Shore Club, President.

In his four years at VMI, the "Ol' Spic" has hailed from Puerto Rico, Cambridge, Maryland, and Orlando, Florida.

Academically, Spic started out with a bang and ended up with a slow fizz, but he has one of the best VMI "attitudes" anyone has ever seen. He proved this by outsleeping almost everyone at school and summer camp, resulting in a close race to last at Indiantown Trap. Even though his attitude about VMI and the Army is somewhat bad, we all know that Hal will succeed in life with his sincere personality, dragging his test tubes, wife, and other things behind him.



Harold William Switzer
Winter Park, Florida



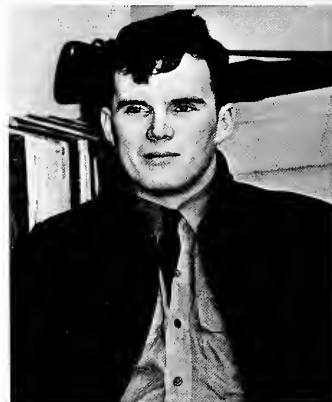
William Walter Millan
Falls Church, Virginia

William Walter Millan
History, Infantry

Pvt., Forensics, Debate, Fencing, DMS, DAS, Student Conference on U.S. Affairs, Who's Who in American Colleges.

Four years ago an unlikely warrior entered VMI with visions more appropriate to an age of horse cavalry and sabres, than to one of nuclear bombs. The military visions left in little pieces; the other ideals starved on a diet of Sartre, Camus, Conrad and Dostoyevsky.

Nonetheless . . . (what the Hell), Bill is going RA in June. We wish him luck. His charm and occasionally biting sense of humor will not be soon forgotten.



Bill Millan



Mike Seargeant

Billy Michael Seargeant
Civil Engineering, Artillery

Pvt., Intramural Soccer, Volleyball, ASCE, Catholic Choir, Cadet Battery, Glee Club.

B.M. has proven to be one of the most important parts of our cadetship. He is the true basis of the VMI ideal—a Brother Rat.

His kind words and jovial outlook in the face of his own academic difficulties gives to the rest of us, who also have academic or other problems, the will to go on to solve our problems and to face our tomorrows with renewed hopes.

We all wish you well, for we know that it is people like you that make this world more pleasant and rewarding for all of us.



Billy Michael Seargeant
San Antonio, Texas



Maurice Mero Gompf
Portsmouth, Virginia

Maurice Mero Gompf
History, Infantry

Pvt., L.Cpl., Lt., Bn. S-4, Rat Cross Country, Judo, Intramural Basketball, Ring Figure Magazine, Wesley Foundation, Jim Beam Team Member, Ring Figure Committee, 1968 Emblem Committee, Ranger Hand to Hand Combat Inst., Institute "All America," BRSR Club.

Yea, verily, the swamprat left his "hoose" and came to the bluff, sideburns dragging. He joined "89" Garden Club, the midnight commandos, and the "C.E. good-bye movement."

In '66, Mike joined the Jim Beam Relay Team for the VMI Olympics, and became an Institute All-American. This uncoveted title exiled him to the Bell Telephone Summer Olympics.

Undaunted, he did some summer reading, and had the administrative glamor of the All-American title withdrawn after a mere two months. **This disappointed the Institute!**

With military and academic talents realized, Mike refused to be stepped on despite the size of the foot. He profoundly noted that even nature understands VMI—"Ever see the wind blow out Jackson Arch?"



Bill Martin



"Jim Beam" Gompf

William P. Martin
History, Air Force

Pvt., L.Cpl., Gymnastics, Intramural Football, Softball, Handball, Wesley Foundation, Pioneer Investment Club, Regimental Color Guard, Ghetto, Brookside.

Breeze came from the land of Salt Water and skiing—bent on a good time at the Institute. Things were not as he expected, however, and the list of discarded articles soon included a sliderule, Lance Corporal stripes, and a hitch hiking sign marked F'burg.

The last couple of years have been "Good to Him," and a rise in good times (Brookside) have been matched by a rise in academic achievement. Certainly, the years have proven him a person of distinction, a darty man extraordinaire, and the trust of friends.



William P. Martin
Hampton, Virginia

Leigh Silman Edmunds
English, Artillery

Pvt., Rat Baseball, Judo, Track, Intramural Basketball, Football, Bomb Staff, Sounding Brass Circ. Mgr., Literary Editor, Newman Club Historian, Treas., V.P., Glee Club, Cadet Battery.

Leighsie is an individual who devoutly practices the philosophy of Clyde Barrow (of "Bonnie and Clyde" fame)—"ain't life a grin?" "Mandrake" was only thirteen when he learned how to nasty. He must be a Magician because he's sure got the magic touch. If no ventures are in the offing, Leigh hosts his own, such as Christmas magical mystery tours at his home. He can be incredibly witty and perceptive, and a good student when he puts his unconventional mind to it.

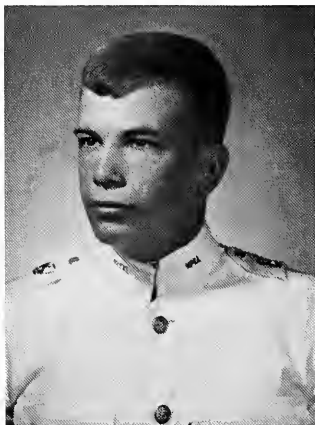
Leigh is one individual who has attained Nirvana in this life—it's called a Dodge Cadillac Charger.



Leigh Silman Edmunds
Oxon Hill, Maryland



Leigh Edmunds



James Christian Burns
Dahlgren, Virginia

James Christian Burns
Biology, Artillery

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Lt., 2nd Bn. S-3, Distinguished Academic Student, DMS, Prosecutor of the VMI Honor Court, Judo, Intramural Football and Volleyball, VAS, Cadet Staff, Publications Board, Hop and Floor Com.

An affinity for the good life, and its bottomless pit of approaches (which may soon show bottom), feebly at best, describes this soul. What kind of person is it that can neither speak nor spell the English language, stay up from taps until breakfast, sleep at least forty-five out of the fifty minutes of class, and come so disgustingly close to being academically distinguished?

He has an unusual strength in his standards, and assumes an impregnable attitude whenever he is crossed. For someone with such a high trifle coefficient in the eyes of so many, it is hard for one to understand, and harder to accept, this in him. Those that have had the depth and have made this effort have been rewarded with a constant friend.



Jim Burns

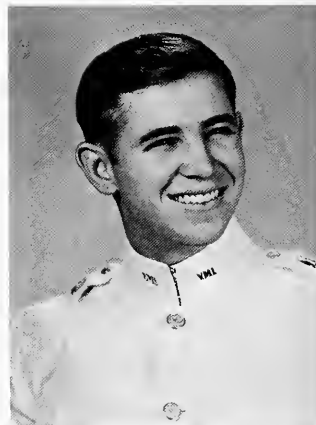


"T." Emerson

Terry Ralph Emerson
Mathematics, Air Force

Pvt., Pres. Bridge Club, IRC, Recreation Chairman Student Union, Newman Club.

From the land of the Eternal Summer came the blonde god-grease to the fun capital of the world, Lexington. As he entered the Institute, he was heard to say, "This may not be a party school now, but I will make it into one." T's claim to fame has been his goal of making VMI the sin capital of the East. His first attempt was a year long love affair by air with a beach bunny, and then to another beach bunny from the same locale, and then a Chicago gun-moll who hailed from Tokyo. His last year he got a lot of "class," and was astonished by a "Happy New Year Darling" just prior to eviction. As T surfs into the sunset splashing his hands in his 212½ time to "Let's Spend the Night Together," we wish him a world of luck. Just be careful on your loose static lines.

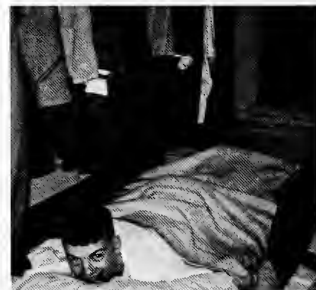


Terry Ralph Emerson
Waikiki, Hawaii

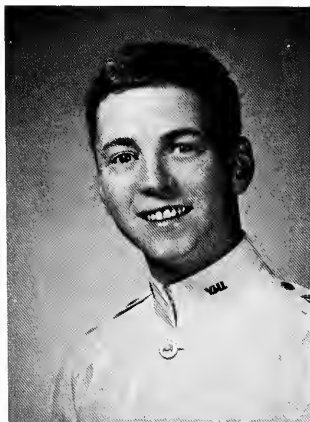
David Holbrook Law
Civil Engineering, Air Force

Pvt., L.Cpl., Intramural Volleyball, Tennis, Cross Country, ASCE, Chapel Choir, Westminster Fellowship, Floor Com., Glee Club, Northern Va. Club, Pres., Bridge Club, FIP.

Ye old Wheeler-dealer Foxy Dave Law who was the leader of the cult of the Shiny Horse Shoe had many claims to fame. Lucky in cards, lucky in love, lucky in pool, and one of the greatest Brother Rats. Few will ever know the supreme sacrifice this young man made in order to insure the cadetships of many who would otherwise have left. To us who know him and what he did for us, we are thankful and hope the Horse Shoe keeps shining.



"Fox" Law



David Holbrook Law
Fairfax, Virginia



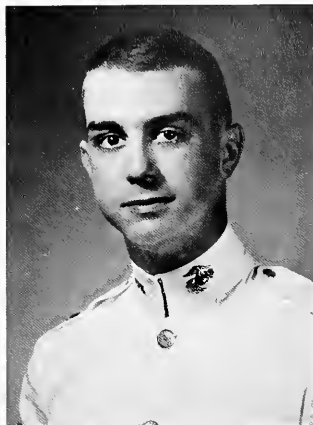
"Stripo" Schneider

David Alan Schneider
History, USMC

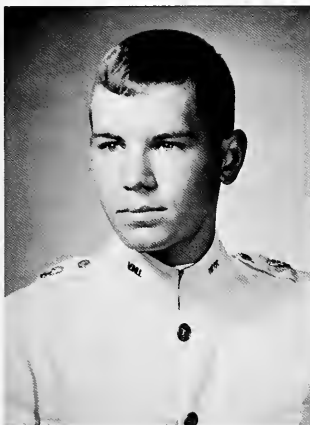
Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Capt., Regt. S-4, Who's Who In American Colleges, Rat Social Committee, Judo, Intramural Volleyball, Bomb Staff, Ring Figure Magazine, VMI Date Book Staff, Cadet News Editor, Religious Council, Townes Award, VASG, State Committee Member, Political Science Society-Sec., Pres., IRC, Armed Forces Club, Bloodmobile.

In his four years at VMI, "Stripo" has managed to involve himself in every conceivable aspect of cadet life. "Stripo" is, and always has been, a confirmed ranker, but rank never stood in the way of "Brother Rat," and he is the perfect example of how rank and class stripes need not produce conflict. "Stripo's" greatest asset is his enthusiasm; and anyone who has seen him or worked with him in the days preceeding Bloodmobile visits, as well as Rifle Turn-Ins, knows that well.

But somehow, the outside world has still remained very much alive to Dave.



David Alan Schneider
Richmond, Virginia



George Warner Squires
Richmond, Virginia

George Warner Squires
History, Infantry

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Lt., Judo, Intramural Volleyball, Cross Country, English Society, Publications Board, Cadet News Editor and Editor, Ring Figure Mag., Editor, U.S. Army Award, VASG Editor's Committee, AFC, Otis Redding Fan Club, ESSP, Honor Court. Who's Who in American Colleges.

At the beginning of our Soul Brother's second class year, he looked into the River of Life and found a divine light (the L.L.) in the Big "O," for whom he spread the gospel as Tech's Regimental Soul Brother until one bad-to-me night. Only a Christmas stroll down Penny Lane enabled him to bear the Main Man's tragic demise.

It should be difficult to surpass this year's issues of the Cadet, which reflected his poignant leadership. Inspiration was his motivation. Respect is the pass word as we note with regret the passing of the Big "G."



Fred Rencsok

Charles F. W. Rencsok
Physics, Infantry

Pvt., Cadet Assistant Circulation Manager, Debate Club President, Rangers Weapons Instructor, AIP.

Four years ago Fred came in Jackson Arch an undernourished Rat. Since then the delightful food of Club Crozet has filled out his body, and Mallory Hall filled up his head.

Despite the rules, which hedge about the Rat, he managed to keep a perfect record, and was never sent to the RDC. (And this during the days when there was really a Rat Line in Barracks!)

A horseback riding buff in his free time, Fred often returned from furlough standing.



"Percy" Squires



Charles F. W. Rencsok
Hampton, Virginia

John Gregory Wall
Biology, Armor

Pvt., Sup. Sgt., Indoor-Outdoor Track, Cross Country, Intramural Football.

Coming to VMI from Charlottesville, Greg was astonished to learn that the Institute was not the U. Va. of Lexington. However, he adapted well and even became an NCO this year to "help run the Corps."

For two years he roomed with the "old man," the "loser," and the "animal," and developed the T.T. to protect himself. Greg has also earned a fine reputation as a lover, notorious tennis player, and track star (chasing paddy wagons around Washington?)

Over these four years Greg has demonstrated qualities that have earned him many friends, and we all wish him the best in the future.

Ewell Somers Beirne
Electrical Engineering, Air Force

Pvt., Intramural Volleyball, IEEE, Scuba Club, AFC, Scouter's Club, Radio Club, Cadet Receptionist.

"Smokey" came to us from that great big town (city?) of Covington, Virginia, and was enrolled in Electrical Engineering and the Air Force ROTC program.

While he was on the winning intramural volleyball team for Foxtrot Company his second class year, he was also an active member of the Scuba Club and the Armed Forces Club.

"Smokey," true to the bear form, could usually be found hibernating in his room next to the PX.

We look for "Smokey" to go far and hope we can see him through the smoke screen put forth by the pipes he always smokes.



"Twiger" Wall



"T" Norment

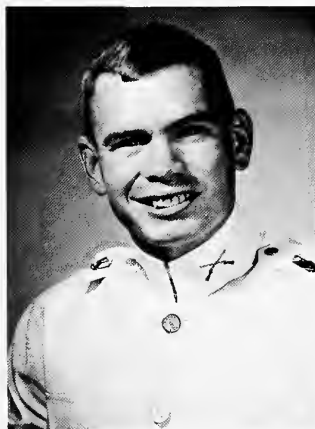


Billy Gills



"Bear" Bierne

The First Class



Harold Rutherford Hostetter, Jr.
Portsmouth, Virginia

Harold Rutherford Hostetter, Jr.
Biology, Infantry

Pvt., L.Cpl., Rat and Varsity Wrestling, Intramural Softball, Boxing, Football, BSU Officer, Religious Council Sec. and VP, Glee Club, Librarian.

Harold came to VMI after attending Moody Bible College in Chicago, Ill. With his previous college experience, he made Dean's List grades for the first semester, and became one of those lucky Rats with a Dean's List furlough.

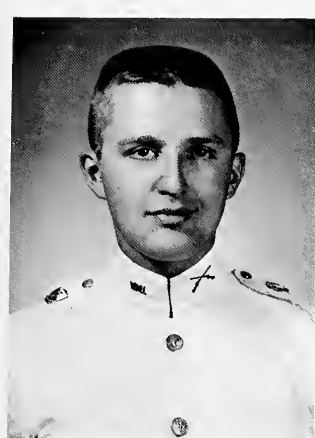
Then, in our Third Class year he became an "Echo Company" Lance Corporal, and also devoted a little time to the wrestling team.

In our Second Class year, he was the only First Classman in our class.

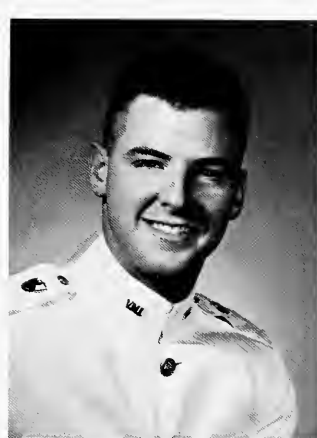
Harold, along with about a dozen other cadets, could always be found on Friday night in the Cadet Chapel conducting a Bible Study. His religious interests included two years as an officer on the Religious Council.



Harold Hostetter



James Dickson Polley, IV
Springfield, Virginia



John Gregory Wall
Charlottesville, Virginia



Ewell Somers Bierre
Covington, Virginia

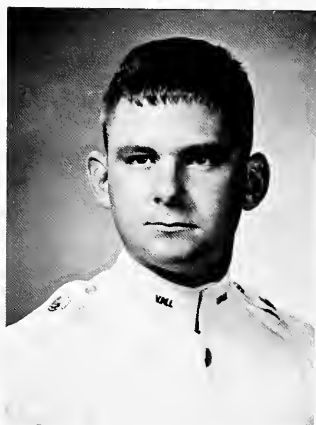
James Dickson Polley, IV
History, Infantry

Pvt., 1st Sgt., Soccer, Political Science Society, Armed Forces Club, **Cadet, Bomb**, Cadet Manager-Lejeune Hall, Fire Fighters, Magnificent Seven.

Even from the start it was obvious that JD's cadetship would not be the run of the mill type. As "Polley, J.D., Sir!" echoed from the 4th stoop, it seemed that "screwed up" would be more descriptive. A bad start academically and militarily was replaced in time by respectable grades and the two chevrons and a diamond for Charlie Co. Spare time involved soccer, rack, Lejeune, and various combinations of the Pine Room, Zollman's, and the other pleasures of the flesh to be found in Lexington. The future holds an R.A., or is it Law School, or rather ?? Whatever it is, good luck, you may need it.



William James Gills
Farmville, Virginia



Thomas Kent Norment
Williamsburg, Virginia

William James Gills
Civil Engineering, Artillery

Pvt., Golf, Intramural Basketball, ASCE, Wesley Foundation, Monogram Club, Number 1 Club, Number 2 Club, Rat-Daddy.

Every Society has its New Left: "Sweet William" is ours. He has constantly been a crusader for longer hair, more dances (to which you don't wear your uniform), more lenient rules for transferring demerits, and the good days of the "Old Corps." He is well known by W&L frats, girl schools, and the RDC. "Sweet William" is best remembered for the night he was lowered out of a 2nd stoop window to avoid being caught by the "stick check."

Thomas Kent Norment
History, Armor

Sgt., 1st Sgt., DMS, Rat Social Committee, Rat Baseball, Varsity Wrestling, Intramural Football, Basketball, Baseball, Handball, Managing Editor of the 1968 **Bomb**, Wesley Foundation, AFC, YRC, IRC, Corps Union Com., Pres. Corps Union Council, Concessions Council, Ring Figure Magazine, "Lunch Bunch," VASG.

"As he descended the Hill, a sadness came upon him. He thought, Not without a wound in spirit shall I leave this city. Long were the days of pain I have spent within its walls, and long were the nights of gladness. And, who can depart from this pain and aloneness without regret? Allow the walls of agony and loneliness to subside in favor of the friendships herein established. It was but yesterday we met in a dream. Now our sleep has fled. Our dream is over. This is the sunset and the dawn—the todays, and the tomorrows . . . tomorrow . . . I cannot tarry."



Jim Polley



Ad Hagan

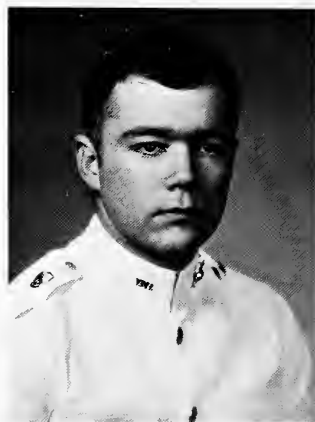
Joseph Addison Hagan, III
Civil Engineering, USMC

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Lt., President-Class of 1968, President-Executive Committee, President-General Committee, Rat Wrestling, Gymnastics, ASCE, Cadet Staff, Newman Club, Catholic Choir, Glee Club Property Manager, Armed Forces Club.

Huntsman, yachtsman, rallyman—master of the guitar, harmonica—politician, general, ditchdigger, and “mother”—any of these could describe Ad, our only Romantic Civil Engineer planning to attend medical school.

Most have viewed Ad as a stern and efficient cadet, and a sincere and able class president. All have respected him, yet few have known him. To a few, he has revealed a loyal and concrete friendship such as can exist only between men who recognize the commonplace, yet strive to rise above it.

All that we ask is that he be granted happiness through a sailboat, a guitar, and a silent, beautiful woman.



Joseph Addison Hagan, III
Norfolk, Virginia



Jim Fleming



James Robert Fleming
Richmond, Virginia

James Robert Fleming
History, Air Force

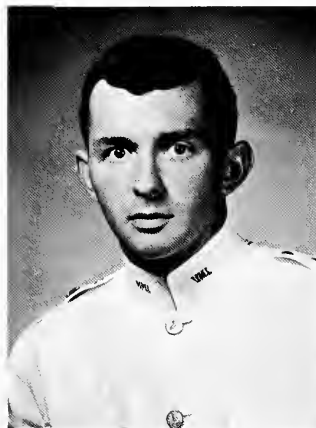
Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Rat Swimming, Rat and Varsity Track, Intramural Volleyball, Basketball, Handball, Tanker Platoon, Newman Club, Tidewater Club.

Jim's interest while he has been at VMI have been channeled primarily in the direction of Radford. Through his cadetship he has shown a gradually deteriorating interest in the VMI rank structure.

A distinguished member of the “Dynamic Duo” during his third class year, his inability to immobilize his right arm proved to be an all but invaluable asset for avoiding aspects of cadet life such as FTX, to say nothing of written exams.

He has managed to eke his way through four years as a History Major, but has never quite been able to work himself with the intensity of a mad dog, Behemouth!

His journeys to Radford will be rewarded soon after graduation, when he and Beverly will be married.



John Payne Thrift, Jr.
Waynesboro, Virginia

John Payne Thrift, Jr.
History, Infantry

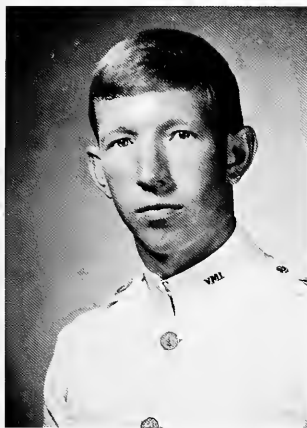
Pvt., Track, Tennis, Intramural Basketball, Football, Volleyball, Minister.

Perhaps easygoing is the most apt word to describe Johnny, and his readiness to help out a Brother Rat, or anyone else, is an attribute which has made him one of the best known and best liked men in his class.

The military has never agreed with Johnny, and he has remained a private—a position which he has always held high in esteem. It would be too much to hope that John will escape all problems after June, but between his good nature and his knack for getting along with people, success cannot evade his grasp for very long!



Johnny Thrift



Kenneth Wade Pennington
Fairfax, Virginia

Robert Nicholas Berezoski
Biology, AFROTC

Pvt., L.Cpl., DAFS, Rat Football, Wrestling, Track, Varsity Football, Indoor Track, Outdoor Track, Intramural Weightlifting, Wesley House, VMI Scuba Club, Pioneer Investment Club, Armed Forces Club, Vice-Commandant's Award Air Force Summer Camp.

When Bob entered VMI, he, like all of us, had desire to excel; . . . in sports, the academics, and the military. Bob played football for the "Big Red" his first two years, but decided to give it up and tackle the books in preparation for what he had decided would be a career in medicine. Even though he was among the private ranks his first class year, Bob has truly excelled at the Institute academically . . . top ranking in the Biology curriculum and number one D.A.S. Cadet in the Air Science Department.

All of us wish the best of luck to "Big Bob." With his desire he will definitely accomplish whatever goals he pursues.

Kenneth Wade Pennington
History, Air Force

Pvt., L.Cpl., Rat Baseball, Varsity Baseball, Intramural Basketball, Football, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Glee Club, International Relations Club, Ring Figure Committee.

VMI has traditionally offered three categories in its "well rounded" program—the military, academic, and athletic aspects of life. Somewhere in the translation Ken misinterpreted, and reversed this hallowed order. His primary concern led him to the varsity baseball diamond. Academically he kept himself proficient, and graduated in the top half of his class. However, militarily, he completely lost interest as many others of the Ghetto family so often do. He will be remembered for his many hurried trips between Lexington and Northern Virginia visiting a certain "have more fun" blonde who eventually led him down the proverbial aisle of life.

The First Class



Ken Pennington



Robert Nicholas Berezoski
Annandale, Virginia

Roy Franklin Dornsife
Chemistry, Armor

Pvt., DMS, Judo, Intramural Football, Soccer, Volleyball, Cross-Country Run, American Chemical Society, Armed Forces Club, Tankers Platoon, Nub Club, Organic Popcorn Committee, Firefighting.

September 10, 1964 . . . enter the Efis-nor disease.

"Ole Dorn" hit the Institute early on that fateful day, and his Brother Rats immediately took a liking to him. Because of the great reprieve between the Chemistry Department and Roy, his faithful B.R.'s instituted the "Roy 10-2-10 Award."

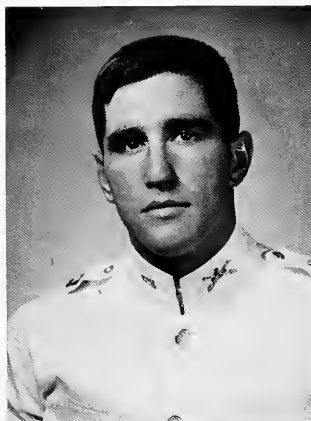
As a result of his outgoing personality, his B.R.'s were always trying to repay "Ole Dorn" by fixing him up for the Hops with some of the most unique dates available. There was one, however, who may prove untrue the motto that Roy lives by: Nobody "gets the best of" the Ole Dorn



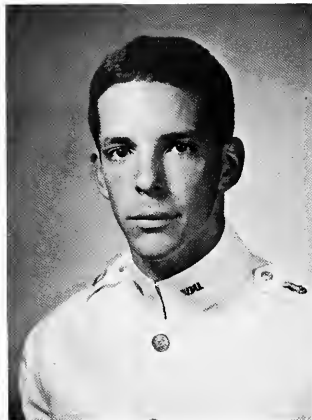
Bob Berezoski



Roy Dornsife



Roy Franklin Dornsife
Ringtown, Pennsylvania



Craig William Smith
Annandale, Virginia

Craig William Smith
Civil Engineering, Armor

Pvt., L.Cpl., Rat Social Committee, Rat and Varsity Track, ASCE, Monogram Club, CCFB.

Whether they know him as "Cricket" or "Spook" or just plain Craig, there is one thing about Craig that all his Brother Rats will agree on, and that is that he's one of the nicest guys to get along with.

Craig didn't hit VMI with any wild fanfare, and he won't leave that way either. It's the in-between that people will remember him for—a steady, stable disposition, a good-natured personality, and reliability.

In the future, one can see for Craig a high-powered sports car or sitting beside an even more high-powered tank lurching toward the ladder of success.



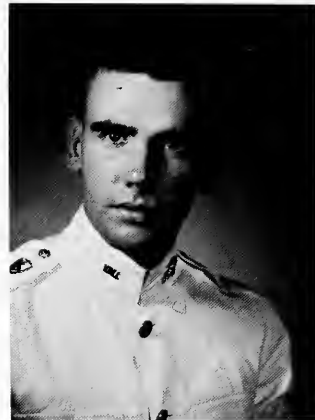
Stephen Erwin Miller
Durham, N.C.

Stephen Erwin Miller
History, Artillery

Pvt., Fencing Co-Capt., Intramural Fencing, English Soc., Cadet, Ring Fig. Mag., Layout Ed-68 Bomb, Sounding Brass Editor Wesley Foundation, Cadet Battery, Ring Figure Committee, Publications Board, Vestal Virgins.

For Steve, these four years have given him an intellectual depth which seems incongruous with his happy-go-lucky exterior. As a result of his exposure to the greatest literature of the 19th and 20th centuries, particularly that of Existentialists, the grubby peanut-buttered Rat has evolved into one of the most lucid, individuals on campus. With his high esteem for personal honor, and the "Old Corps" ideas of "Brother Rat," Steve is universally recognized as a "Good Guy."

Although some do not agree with his dovish ideas, we must at least respect his right to express his views.



Robert Ingels MacPherson
Richmond, Virginia

Robert Ingels MacPherson
History, USMC

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Captain, Reg. S-3, Swimming, Intramural Gymnastics, Judo, Boxing, Political Science Society, Rangers, Young Republican Club, Cadre, General Committee.

It is not the honor it should be to associate someone with the quality of sincerity. The word is used, misused, overused, and used when there is nothing to say on the backs of record album covers or in reviews. It would have been a good word, but there are others. Somehow Bob has not "crusted over" with savoir-faire, nor has he a repertoire—a menagerie—of performances for occasions, "a," "b" and "c" as is required by the label "maturity" . . . but he does not need these things. In himself he is self-sufficient—self-sustained, and his own initiator in his depth. One is not struck by invisible litmus paper, anemometers of feelers of feelings. Depth does not hide him, or his persistence, or his honesty.



"Cricket" Smith

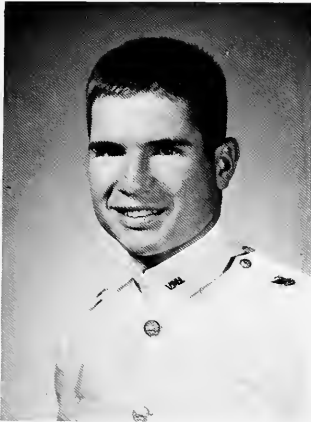


"Gross" Miller

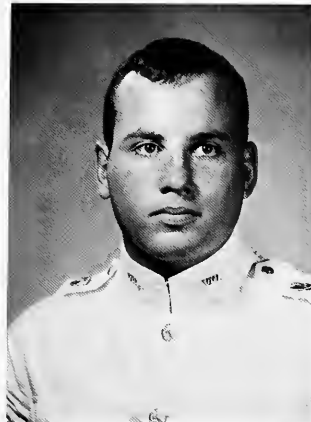


"Yea, though I walk through the Valley of the Shadow of Death, I will fear no evil, for I am the toughest nut in the Valley!"

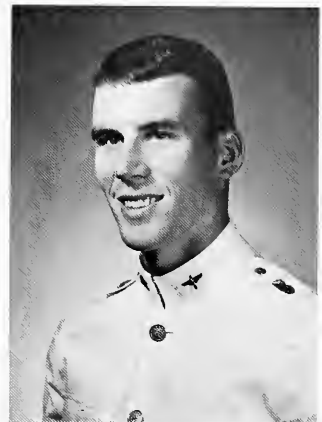
"Mac" MacPherson



Henry Frasier Crotwell
Liberty, South Carolina



Frank Charles Whitaker, Jr.
Petersburg, Virginia



Charles Wayne Burton
Colonial Heights, Virginia

Henry Frasier Crotwell
Biology, Air Force

Frank Charles Whitaker, Jr.
Electrical Engineering, Artillery

Charles Wayne Burton
Civil Engineering, Air Force

Pvt., L.Cpl., Baseball, Intramural Football, Basketball, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Monogram Club, Treasurer Hop Committee.

Our hero was dazzled by the big city lights of Lexington after leaving Liberty, South Carolina. Henry was able to clear his head in time to engage in the Institute's unrelenting schedule of social activities, when his sports endeavors would allow time. By the time his first class year arrived, Dr. Kildare Crotwell was stunning girls from Washington to Greenville with an amazing effect.

Henry is cheerful, sensitive, and above all a good friend. He has held positions of honor and trust, not rank, and will be a fine doctor as a result of his drive and integrity.

Pvt., Wrestling, Intramural Football, Volleyball, Weightlifting, IEEE, Bomb Staff, Cadet Staff, MYF, Armed Forces Club, IRC.

During his tour of duty at the Institute, not only has "Flash's" sincerity and good looks (??) shown through, but also his knack for being a true friend.

After all—who showed up three hours late for a blind date simply to give a friend the joy of entertaining a "beautiful" woman—who gained thirty pounds so his friends wouldn't feel inferior to his magnificent body?—why Frank, of course!

Yes, Frank's a character, a character with a heart so big (bigger than his cheeks) that his friends couldn't imagine him any different.

Pvt., Rat Gymnastics, Cross Country, Intramural Volleyball, Softball, ASCE, Wesley Foundation, VMI Scouter's Club.

Wayne first heard about VMI when he saw **Mardi Gras**. "Wow! Uniforms and parades!" The first thing he learned on that unforgettable day was not to get his shoes spit-shined at a shoe-shine parlor before coming.

None other than George Buzzard was his first roommate, and they're still battling it out. To room with them was a challenge for Mike Seargeant and Yououze, "The Greek."

It became common place to see him as "the Boy Scout Leader" on Saturday afternoon with a pack on his back and his Troop in the arch. Now he has put aside his pack and picked up an airplane (which the Air Force doesn't know).

Wayne's future plans are to be an Air Force Cowboy with an airborne scout troop, stay single(?), and live it up.



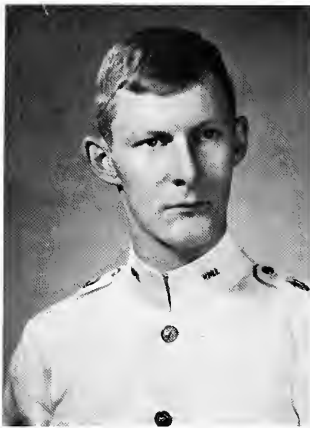
Hank Crotwell



Frank Whitaker



Wayne Burton



Andrew Frederick Bradley
Williamsburg, Virginia

Andrew Frederick Bradley
English, Air Force

Pvt., Intramural Basketball, Soccer, Newman Club, Glee Club, Catholic Choir, Fire Fighting.

On a hot day, Andrew first ambled into Jackson Arch, and a way of life in which he was destined to languish for 4 long years plus summer schools. Andy has always been followed by the call, "Brother Rat!" (he has cigarettes), and has been fancied a philosopher, a wedge, a buckner, a grub, a student, and an L.A. Over the Corps trip, the Schnoz got halfway to Richmond before it was discovered that he didn't have any ducks. This incident summarizes the last 4 years, but the future will be brighter for Andy (it can't be much worse).

The First Class

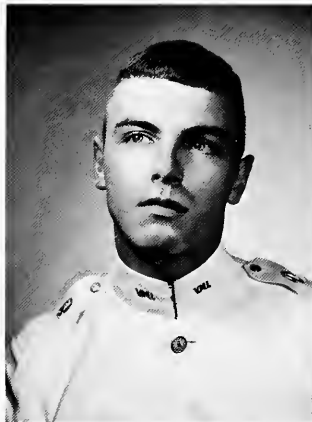


Andy Bradley

Joseph Paul Pettita
Economics, Air Force

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Cpt., Band Company Commander, Judo, Basketball, Volleyball, Newman Club.

Joe arrived at the Institute with great expectations of a fun-filled college career, and spent the next four years trying to realize his goal. One of the famed members of the "Alfonso Club," he sought to prove the theory of "How to succeed in the military without really trying." Though his spirits were dampened somewhat by Coach Arnold's PE 101 course, Joe's stay at VMI netted him the rank of Cadet Captain, and one of the top spots in the Economics Curriculum. Without a doubt, one of the shrewdest guys to ever enter VMI, Puglezy proved to his BR's that he could be a success in anything, and it is with this in mind that the Class of '68 wishes him the best of luck.



Joseph Paul Pettita
New Kensington, Pennsylvania

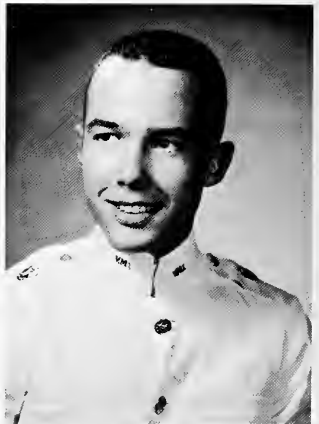


"Lightning" Pettita

Harvey Chalmers Flinn, Jr.
Physics, Air Force

Pvt., 1st Sgt., Rat Track, Gymnastics, Bomb Typist, BRSRC, AIP, COBRA, Pres. Radio Club.

This is the story of Harvey, the "Big City Boy"—able to fall from the highest set of bars in the gym and endure weeks without sleep. When he entered in '64, Alberta's population was reduced to 499½. Between a blind date for Finals his Rat year and traveling 650 miles for a blind date on Christmas his First Class year, he still does not know if blondes have more fun. When Mad Bombers Inc. was formed, Harvey found new uses for match heads, gun powder, and cherry bomb fuses. The end is near, and with it an approach to a new beginning.



Harvey Chalmers Flinn, Jr.
Alberta, Virginia



Harvey Flinn



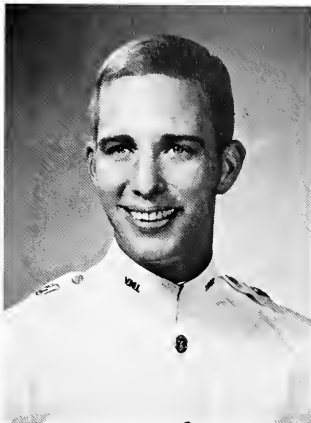
Cary Cook

Randolph Cary Cook, Jr.
History, Air Force

Pvt., Rat Swimming, Intramural Volleyball, Timmons Society, English Society, Bomb Staff, Wesley Foundation Vice-President, Glee Club, Class Ring Committee, Religious Council, P.X. Staff, Richmond Club, Dworak Fan Club, P.W. Club.

It took him an extra year, but at last Cary had achieved his first goal of entering VMI. Now all he had to do was graduate, a task which has seemed at times to be virtually unattainable. However, perseverance, dedication and two summer schools have seen him through, and he will soon know the satisfaction of a job, if not perfectly done, at least done!

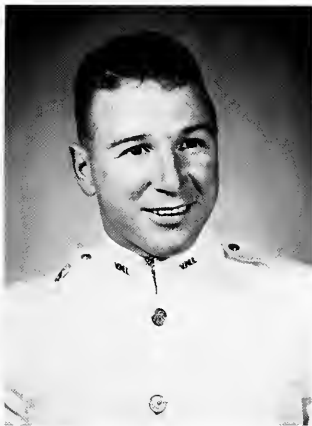
It hasn't always been easy, yet the disillusionment which most of us experience has at last come late to this Red Robed Runner. Now if he can just convince a girl, he'll be not only a great Brother Rat, but the perfect 2+2. And when he gets in the Air Force, he'll attain one last goal besides finding the greatest friend his last year.



Randolph Cary Cook, Jr.
Richmond, Virginia



Stevie Vaughan



Stephen James Vaughan
Richmond, Virginia

Stephen James Vaughan
Civil Engineering, USMC

Pvt., L.Cpl., Football, Wrestling, Co-Cpt., Baseball, Monogram Club, Conduct Probation, Last Ranking MS Cadet, Cake Race, IGBA, Dirty Thirty.

Stevie is probably the "littlest" legend around the Institute (standing close to 5 ft.). What Steve lacks in height, he has made up for in "brawn." As co-captain of the wrestling team, Steve has put on some mighty good matches. Being a great dabbler in gross arts, he has participated in rank, academics, and time in trying to forget this place. Steve's capacity to get into trouble is tremendous, and presently he is on a first name basis with the Superintendent.

In all sincerity Stevie is a hard worker, a bright boy, and with Gerry's help we are sure that they will build an empire together.

Thomas Arthur Ricketts
History, Armor

Pvt., First Sgt., Rat Track, Intramural, Volleyball, Basketball, Football, Cross Country, Alpha Company Bone Sheets, Political Science Society, Club 363.

Tom was graduated from Annandale High School in June 1964. This school was to provide Tom not only with a diploma, and plans to attend a small, cheap college in central Virginia, but also plans with the future Mrs. Tom Ricketts. Yep, Tom is one of the few cadets that can boast of having succeeded in keeping his girl snowed through four years of life at the "healthful and pleasant abode."

Academically Tom can stay with the best of them; the very fact that he has never had to attend summer school attests to that. Tom has had his share of VMI misadventures as has everyone in the Class of '68. When escape from isolation occurs, Tom will head for the army and new "activities" with Charlotte.

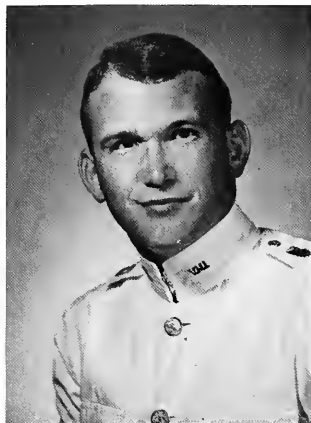
His Friends and Classmates can only wish him and Charlotte the very best.



Thomas Arthur Ricketts
Annandale, Virginia



Tom Ricketts



Richard Leonard Burton
Arlington, Virginia

Richard Leonard Burton
Economics, Artillery

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Gymnastics, Cadet Staff, Economics Club, 1968 Auto Committee.

In the fall of '64 there came to the confining walls of the VMI a fellow called Richard. He hailed from D.C., and originally from California. As a Rat back in the "Old Corps," he became expert in the workings of the "A" team of 490 and reigned terror, through most of new barracks.

Sergeant he was and Sergeant he stayed, until fate dealt a foul blow, and he fell at the hands of a Greek commander; but not until after Ring Figure and some California Dreamin'.

Then came the First Class year, but alas came the downfall of "Ye Old Hunter" as Rich met his match. Such a small package (5'2") should have such a large influence!! Sandy blonde hair marked the end of restless days and wild nights.

How will it end? Will it be a fast car, or a very special ring? I'd say the ring 'cause "Richard the Lion Hearted" isn't the lion he use to be (Me-o-ow).

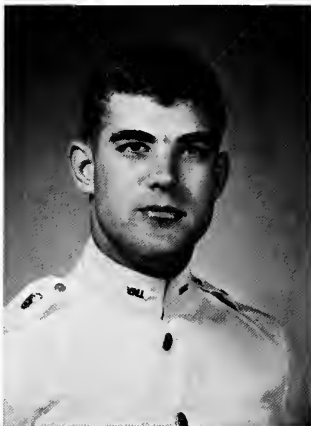


Rich Burton

Gainer Brown Jones, Jr.
History, Armor

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Lt., Rat Wrestling, Fencing, Intramural Football, Volleyball, Weightlifting, Glee Club, Hop and Floor Committee, Texas Club.

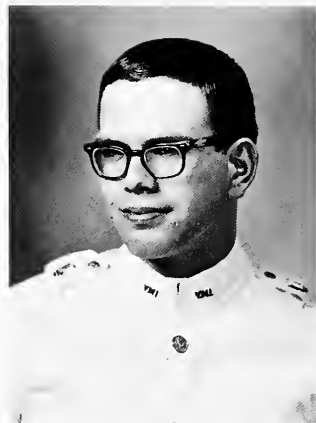
From out of the dust of Texas arose Gaddoux. He came to the Class of '68 innocently enough, but was to make his mark upon the history of the Class. He immediately began his everlasting impression of his famous acts of an animalistic nature. In his eternal war against the Institute, he was to win out momentarily during our third class year, and yet tatter and fall the following year as Club 255 crumbled. He was destined, however, to conquer the Institute and receive his Sheep-Skin. We are proud to call him a true friend, and wish him all the luck in the world.



Gainer Brown Jones, Jr.
Houston, Texas



"Gaddoux" Jones



Howard Sheriffs Donald, Jr.
Richmond, Virginia

Howard Sheriffs Donald, Jr.
Economics, Artillery

Pvt., Varsity Wrestling, Intramural Football, Wrestling, Volleyball, Westminster Fellowship, "Ghetto," Room Orderly.

Being from the City of Richmond, Oden had heard of all the glories of VMI, but came to Lexington to gain the valuable military training that he missed at Thomas Jefferson High School. However, he soon realized that the Mickey Mouse Club was not for him. Even as late as his First Class Year, Howard thought that FM 22-5 was a radio station. Perhaps the two most predictable occurrences in Oden's routine at VMI were his Saturday night trips to Johnnie's for a few PBR's, and his post-Hop excursions to the press box at Alumni Field. With Howie's blue jaw, green brass, and gray shoes, he was one of the more colorful cadets in Barracks.



Howie Donald



"Weenie" Pauls



Jim Haney



"Doc" Hyatt

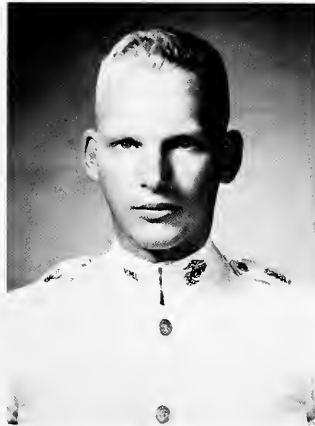
Philip Gregory Pauls
History, Air Force

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Rat and Varsity Basketball, Intramural Football, Volleyball, Newman Club, Monogram Club, YRC, IRC, Bridge Club.

"Weenie" as he is known by his close Brother Rats will always be remembered for his opinions on anything and everything. While attending psychology classes during the year, the question arose as to who really had the hairiest eyebrows - - - Cadet Dean Foster or Dr. Pauls.

His second class year he was a member of the "fearsome foursome evening CQ bridge club" which met regularly at any time. His baseball prowess was known by a few who dubbed him "The Mighty Mite of the diamond."

Phil's serious wishes are a law degree, a good time and a big, happy family in that order. Good luck to the "hairiest little gnome."



James Howard Haney
Falls Church, Virginia

James Howard Haney
Physics, USMC
Pvt., Regt. Op. Sgt., Rat Wrestling, Track, Varsity Track, Intramural Volleyball, Football, AIP Pres., Sigma Pi Sigma, Religious Council, Cadet Union Bowling Program, Chairman.

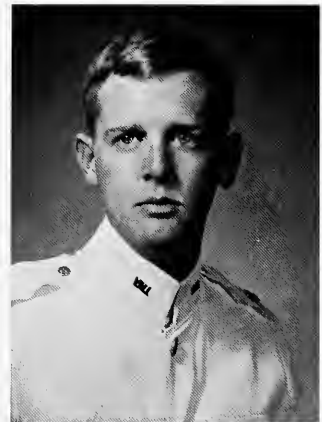
On that infamous day in Sept. 1964, "Giant Rat" invaded the Institute with visions of setting the Physics Department on fire. His climb up the hill of science was hindered by the strategic positioning of his "hay monster" right behind his desk. Finding he needed additional activities to avoid studying, he devoted his energy to the formation of VMI's Bowling Leagues and the Intercollegiate Bowling Team, from which the school has greatly benefited.

His love life has flourished thanks to his phenomenal luck with blind dates. We're sure his luck will continue, too.

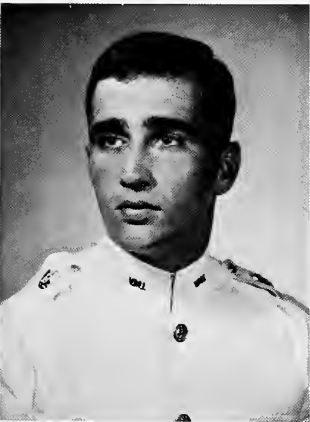
Robert Grant Hyatt
History, Artillery

Pvt., L.Cpl., Cross Country, Track, Intramural Basketball, Deep South Club, Pioneer Investment Club, Young Republicans Club, Ghetto.

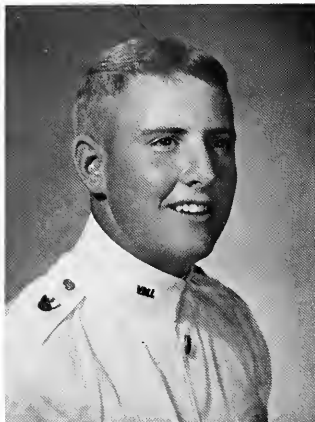
Well, in September of 1964 Doc came to VMI following the tradition set by his brother and father, the infamous "Shack." This boy from Kingsport, Tennessee, and proud of it, was always willing to play basketball and still seemed able to find time for girls, Ghetto, and "Old Crow." Although a History Major, he hardly cared for "MAD DOGS" "academic regulations" and once considered medicine when a lass from Hollins presented him with the "Doctors Kit." The future looks bright for Doc, and we are certain that someday, he will have a Cadillac with windows that go up and down automatically.



Robert Grant Hyatt
Kingsport, Tennessee



Philip Gregory Pauls
Vienna, Virginia



John Gould Balch
Richmond, Virginia

John Gould Balch
Biology, Air Force

Pvt., Judo, Rifle Team, Intramural Football, Gymnastics, Handball, Monogram Club, Newman Club, Wesley Foundation, Virginia State Rifle Team.

John went further than his dyke (Hairbody '65) by winning the Rabbi of the Year award. Since the first day when he waddled through the arch, John has been happily pursuing his hobby of making money. In fact it might be said that he really majored in money and minored in Biology. He could sell your mother your father's underwear.

Just about every semester, he has met a girl who is better than those before, but he still insists he won't marry until he is in his 60's, that is, if he ever decides to take the big step.

An accomplished rifleman and generally capable of getting off a good shot now and then, we can expect to see his shooting for the top in some field of business in the not too distant future.

A good representative of our Class, we all wish him the best of everything in the future.



David Bone Clark, Jr.
West Chester, Pennsylvania

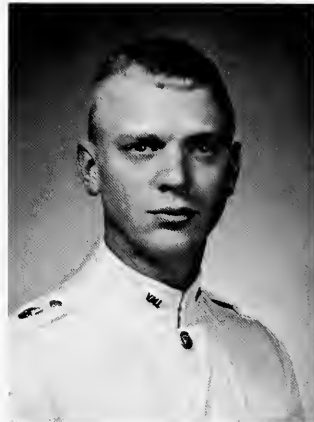
David Bone Clark, Jr.
Civil Engineer, Air Force

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., D Company Commander, Fencing, Intramural Volleyball, ASCE, Glee Club, Treasurer Ring Committee.

The fact that the Institute did not like sports cars and long blond hair was a source of dismay to Dave, but he soon channeled his efforts toward academics and becoming an inconspicuous Rat.

The dedication to rank was strong, but soon was dampened by a desire to get home after mid-semester, traveling in an unauthorized manner and in unauthorized attire. His second class year he managed to hold his rank, enough to convince the right people that he was the man to lead Delta Company his last year at VMI.

Some of his favorite memories, will be from his slightly off-key, but resounding bass in the Glee Club, and his participation as a Cadet Zoomie in the FIP program.



Charles Malcolm Avery, Jr.
Little Rock, Arkansas

Charles Malcolm Avery, Jr.
English, Air Force

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Lt., Rat Rifle Team, Capt., Varsity Rifle Team, Intramural, Volleyball, Cross Country, Religious Council, FIP.

Chuck Avery will evoke a sigh of relief from the Lexington fuzz when his screaming Yamaha is finally gone. True to his love for speed, Chuck will depart the Institute in a stormin' GTX. His cadet life revolves around cycles, cars, girls, rank, FIP, and an occasional smattering of academics.

Born in Chicago with the gift of spontaneous writing (B.S.), Chuck made the English scene for four years. A future Air Force pilot, Chuck has benefited greatly from VMI.

Moments to remember: attending a cheer rally in a hay roll; narrating Ring Figure, and Summer Session (both years).



Johnny Balch



Dave Clark



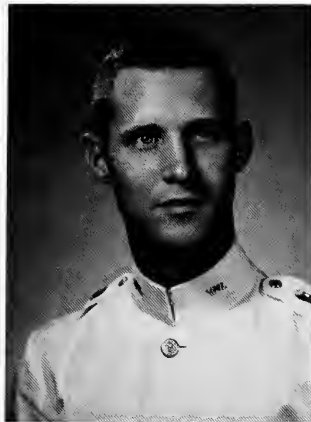
Chuck Avery

The First Class



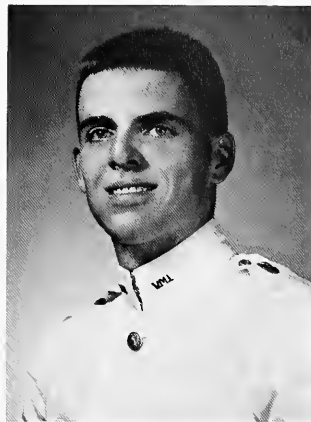
Lawrence Mitchell Ryan
White Plains, New York

Lawrence Mitchell Ryan
Civil Engineering, Armor



Thomas Marshall Boyd
Gloucester, Virginia

Thomas Marshall Boyd
History, Air Force



Dana Carter Duthie
McLean, Virginia

Dana Carter Duthie
Economics, Air Force

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., 1st Sgt., DMS, Indoor-Outdoor Track, Intramural Cross Country, Football, ASCE, Newman Club-President, Religious Council, Rangers, Armed Forces Club, Fire Fighters, Glee Club.

As a Rat, Larry was known for quite a few things: his night raids, his postal experiences, and his candidacy as the First Brother Rat to go bald. He looked around for some other field in which he could show his amazing prowess for doing the unexpected. That's right—**Rangers**, for which he had to show a good rappelling technique and a slightly deformed knee.

Well, many CE trips later (none of which Larry missed), we find ourselves in what appears to be an eventful year at VMI for "**Ranger Lar**"—but then it's not over with yet!

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Lt., DAF, Rat Track, Cross Country, Varsity Golf, Intramural Basketball, Political Science Society, IRC, Cadet Staff, **Bomb** staff, Ring Figure Magazine, Business Mgr. **Sounding Brass**, Cadet Union, Bermuda Club, VASG, Hop and Floor Committee, Publications Board, Dean's list.

Four years ago there emerged out of the marshes of Gloucester, Virginia a determined and principled young man. Tom left his fellow swamp rodents, the neighboring Guineamen, and the bogs of Tidewater to joint a society of "stoop Rats" among the scenic hills of Lexington. It didn't take Tom long to instinctively adjust to the militant atmosphere at the Institute. Today, he is one of the few survivors of an almost extinct breed. Tom has seldom been infected with the "apathy disease." He has consistently demonstrated his sincere pride for what the Institute stands in theory. This is enviable as will be Tom's successful future.

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Lt., Rat Basketball, Intramural Football, Basketball, Softball, IRC, Spirit of '68 Committee, Hop and Floor Committee, FIP, Magnificent Seven, Unfortunate Five.

Has anyone seen Doo? There he goes off the runway and through the fence; V.M.I.'s Snoopy is back on the ground.

Everyone in barracks knows Doo! Many saw him as the "Spirit of '68". He creates enthusiasm and starts riots. To see how good a job he did, look at the teams' records this year. Doo restores VMI spirit from the "moral victories" to the days of great VMI athletic power.

Doo is a winner, and only success awaits him.



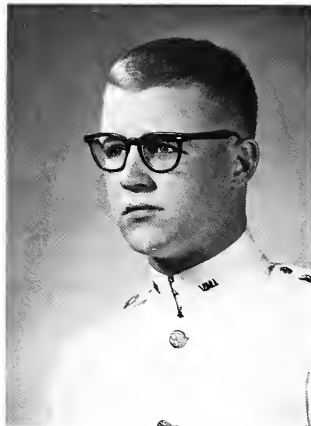
Larry Ryan



Tom Boyd



"Doo" Duthie



John Anthony Augustine
Forestville, Maryland

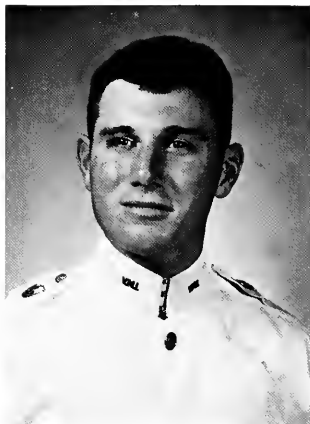
John Anthony Augustine
History, Armor

Pvt., L.Cpl., Swimming Team, Co-Capt., Intramural Football, Volleyball, Cadet Staff, 1968 Ring Committee, Spirit of '68.

After four years and three summers, all existing records for the least amount of studying have been seriously threatened by Augie. A Cadetship consumed by drawing unimaginable pictures, swimming back and forth in a tank of water, BS-ing in the Barracks Study Room, a girl he never sees, and the Baltimore Colts, has hopefully produced the required 2.0 average to enable Aug to grace the ranks of the U. S. Army for two years. Displaying his obvious military bearing as a three-week Lance Corporal wonder, he redirected his broad talents to areas more appreciated—art(?), swimming, and endless comedy, to become a pride of the Ghetto and the Class. The future is bright, yet predictably unpredictable for Aug. Whatever he does and however he does it, Aug will be heard from tomorrow—why do it today?



"Augie" Augustine



John Bush Long
Augusta, Georgia

John Bush Long
History, Artillery

Pvt., L.Cpl., DMS, Rifle Team, Newman Club, Wesley Foundation, Political Science Society, VMI Rifle Club, IRC, Deep South Club, Pioneer Investment Club, Cadet Battery, Lejeune Hall Committee.

If there is one thing that will never change it's Huey's ability to find "a deal you just can't pass-up!" This famed barracks hustler has used his four years at the Institute to study the habits of Chuck Good Deale, and to develop his own technique to the point where he can confidently declare, "I wish I could do it again, I'm sure I could net \$12,000."

But money matters have not been the sole concern of Yak during his tour here. While maintaining an excellent academic average and demonstrating his accuracy on the Rifle Team, he has been shooting for a law degree at Georgia, "Bulls Eye." Jack, nice shot! Jack has yet to meet defeat in a deal or a political debate with the combination of his dialectics and his desire to use them. Jack won't need any luck, he'll make his own!



Jack Long



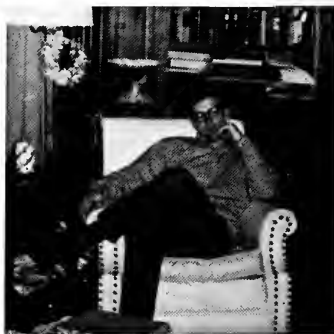
John Henry Van Landingham, IV
Petersburg, Virginia

John Henry Van Landingham, IV
Biology, Infantry

Pvt., L.Cpl., DMS, Who's Who in American Colleges, President of the VMI Honor Court, Co-Captain of the Swimming Team, Rat Tennis, Cadet Staff, Monogram Club, Ring Committee Chairman, Athletic Asst., Virginia Association of Student Governments.

"With a name like that he must be special!" Special he is, but not because of his name. Johnny Van has a dignity and a set of values that enable him to stand above the rest of us. Always striving to fulfill himself, his work as student, swimmer, and President of our Honor Court, attest to his ability to achieve in any field.

"Harry," a Biology major, plans to attend law school—another example of his successful plan of assimilating the best of both worlds. When he finds that beautiful and equally intelligent girl, he'll probably develop into America's greatest author.

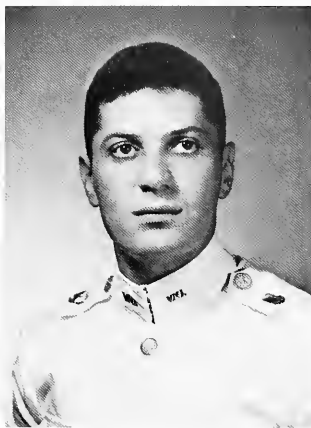


"Van" Van Landingham

Irvin Grodsky
History, Air Force

Pvt., L.Cpl., Distinguished Academic Student, DAFS, Who's Who in American Colleges, Honor Court, Intramural Volleyball, Cadet Staff, Ring Figure Magazine, Religious Council, Political Science Society, IGBA, IRC.

For a guy who heard about VMI second-hand, and never saw the state of Virginia until he came to sign away four years of his life, "I" has made as big a success as anyone. A never-say-die blind dater, who's always managed to see the good in his date or the bottom of his bottle, Irv has managed to live quite a varied life of studying, dating, and whatever. Never making plans for the future has somehow always worked for "Igor," and since his future is undetermined now, it is hard to see how his luck will change.



Irvin Grodsky
Mobile, Alabama

George B. Shorter
History, Armor

Pvt., Intramural Basketball, Football, Volleyball, Club 174, Johnny's.

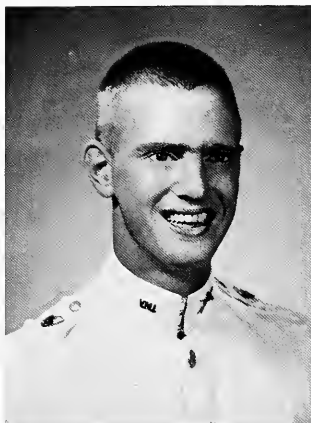
Do you know why flies are green? Why people think about "Jelly Beans," "from the top of your nose to the top of the trees," "Blow your mind!" "The birds and bees."

If radiators explode and run into poles, "are radio antennae buried in holes," "Is there air under all of that sky?" "Where is the end, don't you ever wonder why?"

If you happen to have a scientific mind, love to write poetry in your spare time, have a Roman nose and a scar on your leg, then there is but one answer, you must be George.



"G" Shorter

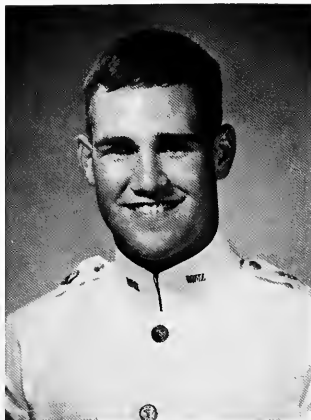


George B. Shorter
Centreville, Virginia

Joseph Kent Underwood
Civil Engineering, Air Force

Pvt., Wrestling, Monogram Club, Intramural Football, Basketball, Volleyball, Roanoke Club, Cadet Waiters, Dyke, Room Orderly, Section Marcher, Blood Donor, Divisional Inspector, Regimental Orderly, Good Deal Beale's Club.

J.K. set out four years ago to establish himself as the "pillar of the community." Obviously, he accomplished this with a little hard work, and a lot of "brown-nosing." Actually, Kent is the hardest worker that we have ever known. Kent will go a long way because of his numerous friendships and staunch ambitions, also the ring that Irene has placed in his nose will steer him straight. Kent is the type of person that you can never forget, even if you try. Kent graduated with honors in Civil Engineering, and is also a fine wrestler, being halted only by a bad shoulder. Until the end, never let your beard grow between you and Irene.

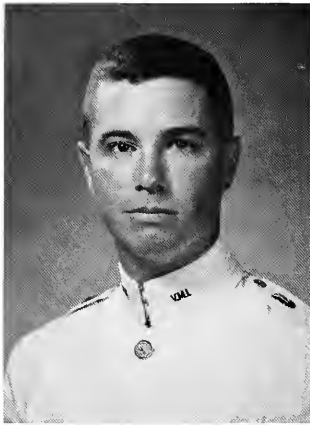


Joseph Kent Underwood
Roanoke, Virginia

The First Class



Kent Underwood



Thomas Bryon Barton
Towson, Maryland

Shellie Charles Harrison, Jr.
History, Armor

Pvt., Golf, Intramural Volleyball, Soccer, Football, Political Science Society, BSU.

Having survived Cadre, and the other inconveniences of the Rat year, Chuck began to seek pleasure. Holding the all time record for number of dates during summer school of 1965 was not enough. Chuck has also claimed the crown for dating the greatest number of girls over the shortest amount of time.

Chuck's career at VMI has not been one of all play and no work. He has managed to pull up his once dubious average to one that is respectable, if not admirable.

Finally Chuck's career at VMI has left those who have associated with him a little better for having known him. His friends and classmates can only wish him the best in whatever he attempts.

Thomas Bryon Barton
Biology, Armor

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Capt., Band Company Commander, DMS, Rat Swimming, Intramural Football, Volleyball, Soccer, VAS, Religious Council, Episcopal Chaplain's Committee, Ring Committee, Soccer Club, Maryland Club.

"Life's a pretty precious and wonderful thing. You can't sit down and let it lap around you . . . You have to plunge into it! And you can't horde it in a vault. You've got to taste it. You've got to use it. The more you use the more you have . . . that's the miracle of it!"

The Baron would have been a difficult one to catch had it not been for his winning personality, as he streaked through the four VMI years, stopping only for the give and take of VMI life—study, stripes, and women, not necessarily in that order.

The tall handsome cadet from Towson will always be remembered by his Brother Rats for his quiet but self assured nature, which will prove to be an unbeatable combination in the years to come.



"The Baron" Barton

Gregory Bruce Wingard
History, Air Force

Pvt., Intramural Soccer, Football, Cross Country, Volleyball, Pol. Science Society, Young Republican Club, FIP.

After four years of military in high school, Captain "Winnie" could not turn down a crack at the Ole Institute. With a slip stick in his hand, he made the great leap forward in Sept. of 1964.

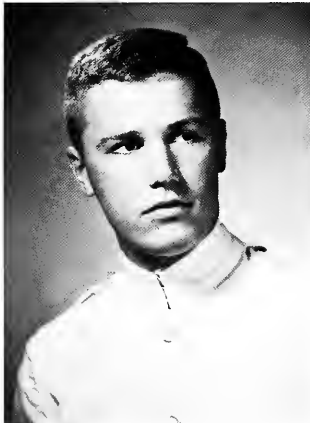
During his third Class year, Greg joined the crusade to improve Sallyport sinks. In Nov. of '65 he received the number 1 prize that is awarded to Cadets who make outstanding contributions of this type.

Hillsville, where is that? . . . Dacca or Lynn? . . . A real live Tobacco Princess? . . . Did you say skip Psych? . . . I like this car! . . . That's Logical!

We all know that Greg will continue to make new records, for he can't help being a success and all his friends wish him the very best in the coming years. There is nothing to do now, but to sit back and see how long it takes him to take over the Air Force.



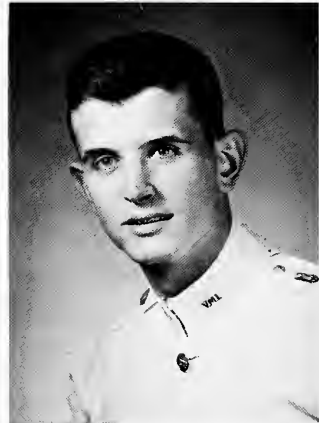
"Winnie" Wingard



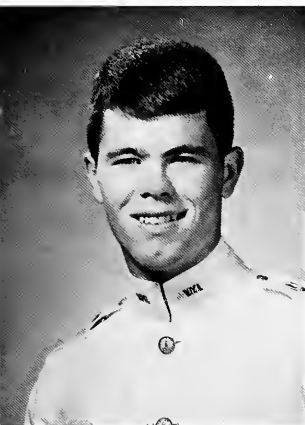
Shellie Charles Harrison, Jr.
West Point, Virginia



Chuck Harrison



Gregory Bruce Wingard
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Donald Frasier Biggs
Denver, Colorado

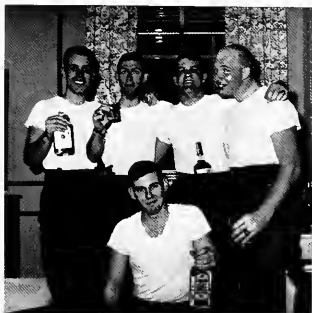
Donald Frasier Biggs
Civil Engineering, Armor

Pvt., Cross-Country, Indoor-Outdoor Track, ASCE, Wesley Foundation, Colorado Club-President, CCFB, VMI Bowling Team-Co-Captain.

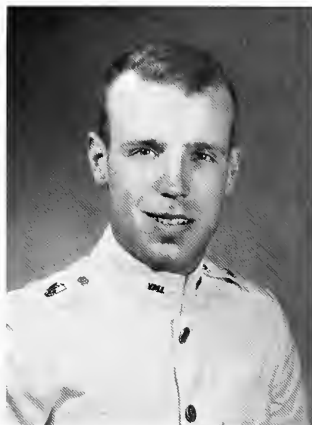
The story of Donald's life—Right! Where would you begin? He was born in Denver, Colorado, and now resides there, but the misadventures that happened in between are too many to even count. Dee came to VMI for one reason . . . to get an education? Militarily, Dee has found his heart in a tank. Maybe he lost his heart in a tank, but a young girl up New York way (how he ever got up there we'll never know) found it, and has just about monopolized the whole situation. The nomad has made many a trip to Up-State New York during his cadetship. Summer vacation, after a great summer camp?? was spent in New Jersey and ole Donald dubbed as a weekend warrior, made many trips to and from Dingmans Ferry (the Girl Scout capital of the world). Yes, the Super Kid from Everywhere, U.S.A. has arrived!



"Dee" Biggs



Ned Harris



Edward Moseley Harris, Jr.
Andover, Massachusetts

Edward Moseley Harris, Jr.
Civil Engineering, Infantry

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Reg. Sup. Sgt., Rat Wrestling, Intramural Volleyball, Basketball, Chairman Reporting Committee, Armed Forces Club.

Ned is at once high spirited, restless, and most thoughtful. In fact, it has been observed that he spends countless hours of each waking day lost in thought in his hayrack, and earnest devotion to his rigorous pursuit of a degree in civil engineering.

As to the future, what lies in store for Ned? But one thing—a most rewarding life. As an R.A. Ranger Airborne Engineer, the Viet Cong are sure to quake at the sight of his 5-ton dump truck leading every charge. Perhaps Major Dickinson and Colonel Patrick won't cross his bridges, but his Brother Rats will. His achievements will be cast in concrete and steel, and he doesn't need luck.



Ed Anderson

Guy Edward Anderson, Jr.
Physics, Air Force

Pvt., Lt., Drum Major, Intramural Football, Softball, Volleyball, VMI Commanders, American Institute of Physics, Wesley Foundation, Armed Forces Club, Concert Band, Regimental Band.

Things haven't been the same for old Ed since that day in September of 1964 when he had a flat tire at Limits Gates. He carried in high hopes, and a hay marked "shot down June '64." A few volleys and a couple of years found Ed close to his ambitions as head warbler. Plodding the seldom travelled road of the Physics major through the dreaded halls of Mallory, he had his eyes on the stars, with his academic endeavors seeking only a slightly lower level. With all his hoped for success, with the much-desired baton, and with his preoccupation with the "Cloud Men," Ed's star-gazing has been postponed for a long look at his native hills, and a special planet named Pat around which he plans to orbit for quite a while.



Guy Edward Anderson, Jr.
Damascus, Virginia

Ben Harris Hedrick
English, Artillery

Pvt., Manager, Gymnastics Club, Sec.-Treasurer Bowling League, Intercollegiate Bowling, Volleyball, Cadet, Bomb (Copy Editor), 3rd Stoop Sinks, Young Republicans, International Relations Club.

Ben's career at VMI is characterized by the strength which is needed to do what he has considered to be right. Though he would not want to admit it, Phantom is vitally interested in other people, in those who cannot help themselves, and in those who cannot understand just what is going on.

Phantom, like his namesake, is an individual. He does not care to act or speak superficially. Many have and could profit by a closer understanding of this ubiquitous man. To a rare person, "Buenos dias, continuemos:" to a good man the world is open and yours.

James Everett Henry, Jr.
Civil Engineering, Artillery

L.Cpl., Sgt., Lt., DMS, Intramural Soccer, Basketball, ASCE, Ed. ASCE Newsletter, Wesley Foundation, Cadet Activities Committee, Hop and Floor Committee, YRC, Tidewater Club.

Jim stepped into the Rat Line from that Tidewater city of Franklin. From the first day of his matriculation, he seemed to be the type that would master the system. After ending the Rat Line, J. E. jumped into the Third Class year with determination and Lance Corporal stripes. His determination wasn't to be phased, and it got him over the sophomore slump, and those "hash marks" eventually grew into 1st Lt. stripes his senior year.

With Ring Figure and that certain little girl that lived on post, "good times" came his way his senior class year.

It's an outstanding record that Jim is taking with him in June. Beware world, here is a man that's got a lot to offer.

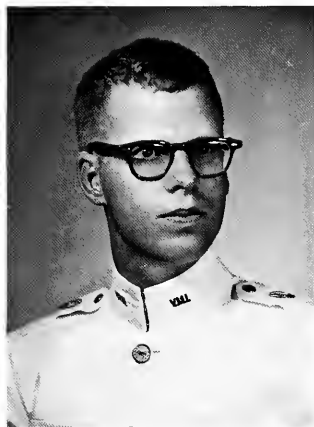
Robert Wade Duckwall
Electrical Engineering, Artillery

Pvt., Intramural Volleyball, Pioneer Investment Club, Northern Va. Club, Food Committee, J.M. Hall Usher, IEEE.

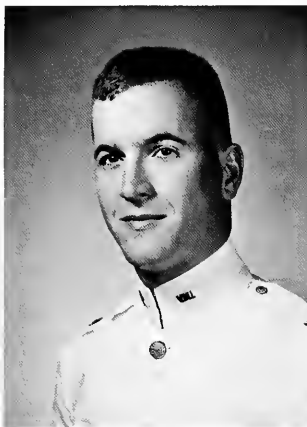
Give Porky a bourbon and branch, Zollman's and a fashion model, and you have Contentment. The tan man with the spare tire is known from Nassau to Paris and back again to every girl's school in Virginia.

Rising above the mode of a Spartan life, he has become VMI's answer to the Hatha-way shirt man. Never one to place much faith in strenuous exercise, Bob gently allowed himself to succumb to asthma. The Army will miss his quiet sensitiveness and sweet air!

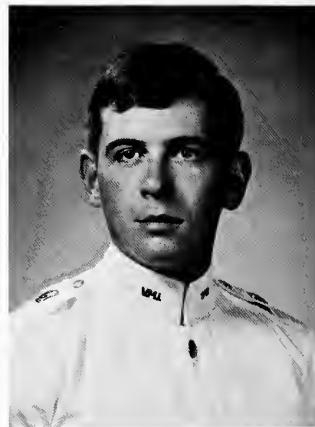
The freedom provided by graduation will return him to his own. Start the Jaguar, Jeeves, and tell the ladies to beware.



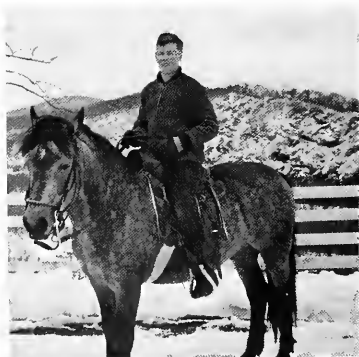
Ben Harris Hedrick
Winchester, Virginia



James Everett Henry, Jr.
Franklin, Virginia



Robert Wade Duckwall
Alexandria, Virginia



"Phantom" Hedrick



Jim Henry



"Porky" Duckwall

The First Class



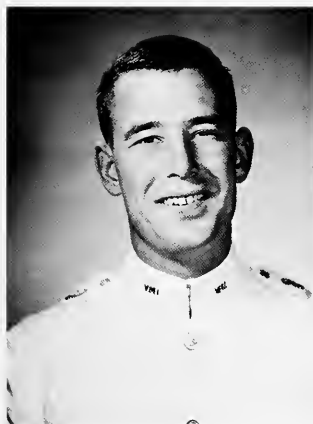
Chuck Maddox



"Troll" Boyer



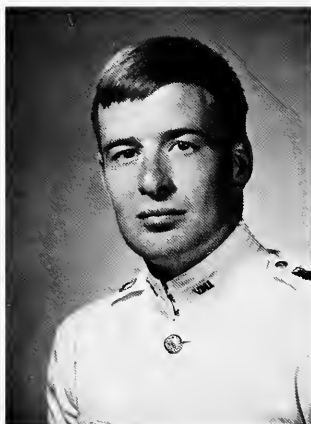
"Boo" Bouck



Charles Elkins Maddox, Jr.
Hampton, Virginia



William Preston Boyer, Jr.
Richmond, Virginia



William Henry Bouck
Middleburg, New York

Charles Elkins Maddox, Jr.
Civil Engineering, Armor

William Preston Boyer, Jr.
English, Armor

William Henry Bouck
Civil Engineering, Armor

Pvt., Rat Baseball, Intramural Football, Basketball, Volleyball, ASCE, Executive Committee, Bomb Staff, Cadet Staff, Cave Springs Country Club, P.X. Team, Club 174, Summer Rehabilitation Program.

Kuh hee, has anyone seen any oysters around here? I can't seem to find my pearl! Deep problems infer deep solutions. Adjustment comes to all those who approach life optimistically. And so it has been. Goals are attained by those who earn them, and those who earn them through determination are to be respected. And so it is.

Pvt., Class Historian, Executive Committee, General Committee, Soccer, Gymnastics, Cheerleader, Ring Committee, Hop Escort, Class Emblem Committee, VASG.

"And the multitudes placed faith in the words of the Troll!" Verily I say unto you, there are many among us, but few there are that can equal the Troll in the finest virtue any man can possess—sincerity. So unselfish that he neglects himself for others, Troll possesses a quality which too few people have—that of being a friend.

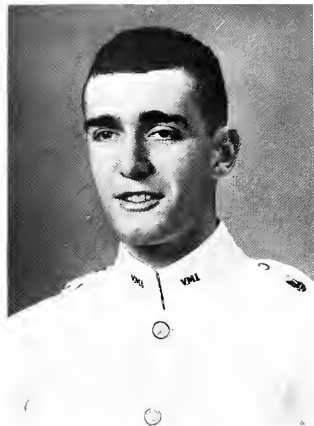
Troll, with his wavy hair, Greek features, and resonant belly, has endured with us the delights of the Institute during these four years, successfully repressing that ever-present urge to pack up and head for the Outer Banks of North Carolina.

His own words make the most fitting goodbye: Good luck to a great fellow and brother of the Spring. May all your shadows dance to the tune of Nature's smile. Love, Troll.

Pvt., Swimming, Soccer, Intramural Softball, Basketball, ASCE, Dapey's Coffee Hour, Cave Springs Country Club, New York Club.

In September of '64, the redhead from upstate New York strolled through Jackson Arch for the first time. This was the beginning of an active but troubled four years at the Institute for the kid. "Boo's" problems were centered primarily around Lois, Janis, Mary, "Chee Chee," Bonnie, Sue, "Moose," Peggy, and finally Gail.

With the memories of his outstanding performances at IGMAR behind him, his First Class Year rolled into view. It drew to an end as fast as it started, and with it the end of the end—graduation and—Gail.



Lewis Anthony Yeouze
Danvers, Massachusetts

Lewis Anthony Yeouze
Chemistry, Air Force

Pvt., Intramural Volleyball, Baseball, American Chemical Society, Nubb Club, 2nd Class Organic Popcorn Committee, Armed Forces Club, International Relations Club, Tankers Platoon, Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

The Greek spent many a Saturday trapped inside a test tube, or taking cover from an uncontrolled reaction. Somehow he managed to survive the hazards of the Chemistry Department for four years, and graduated high on the list. He was a charter member of the Second Class Popcorn Club and Butcher's "Nubb Club." We can never forget that green color on Lew's face at Ring Figure as he mustered strength to get across the stage to receive his ring. A master's degree is next in line, and possibly a PHD if some little girl doesn't snatch him up first.



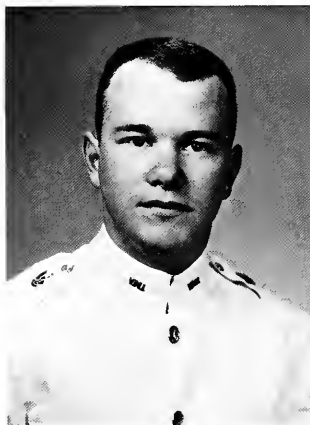
"Greek" Yeouze

Marvin Emory Thews, Jr.
Biology, Air Force

Pvt., L.Cpl., Rat Cross-Country, Rat Golf, Varsity Golf Captain, Basketball, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Hop and Floor Committee, Sabre Committee, Ring Figure Committee, Monogram Club.

Marv came to VMI swinging golf clubs until he became one of the best college golfers in the state, while still managing to make the Dean's List. Yet, despite his achievements in sports and academics, he remained a friend to all by mixing biology and golf in his "Clarksville Conversation."

Dental school will be a big change for him, since he'll have to substitute laboratory work for sack time at MCV next year. Marv will leave VMI this June, but he will take his conservative mind to new heights of achievement.



Marvin Emory Thews, Jr.
Clarksville, Virginia



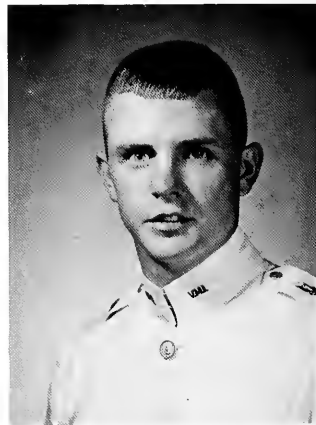
Marv Thews

Walton Mason Jeffress, Jr.
Civil Engineering, Armor

L.Cpl., Sgt., Capt., C Company Commander, DMS, Rat Social Committee, Cross Country, Indoor-Outdoor Track, Intramural Wrestling, Cross Country, Basketball, Football, ASCE, BSU, Religious Council, Firefighting, Bermuda Club, Glee Club.

A former resident of Lexington, VMI was the natural abode for Walt's college life. A serious young man, Walt began early to carve a place in the sun. A top-notch athlete, he lettered in Cross-Country till a bad knee hampered his successes. Hardly discouraged, Walt steered his energies toward his academics, the military, and of course, his one true love, Sally!

Throughout his cadetship, Walt was one of the exemplary leaders of the Corps, and will always remain a man among the men of VMI. To him and his "Mustang Sally" and coming L.L.B., all the best in the world.



Walton Mason Jeffress, Jr.
Culpeper, Virginia



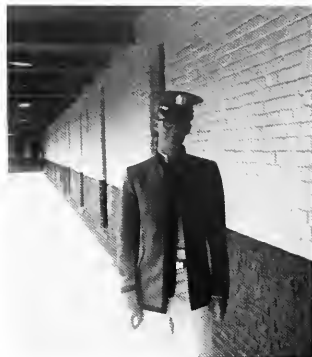
"Jeff" Jeffress



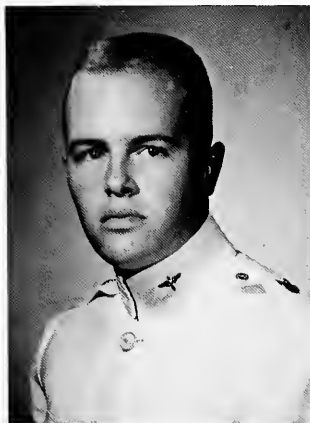
Tom Showalter



Willy Bragg



Pete Farmer



Thomas Ammen Showalter
Radford, Virginia



James Randall Farmer
Winchester, Virginia

Thomas Ammen Showalter
Biology, Air Force

William Melvin Bragg
English, Armor

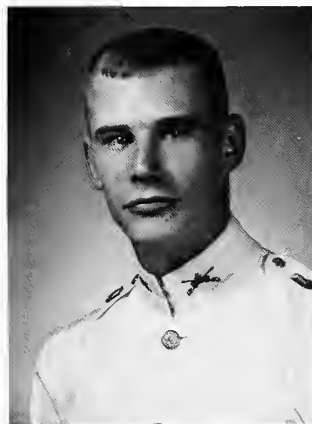
Pvt., Cadet Staff, Glee Club, Treas., Wesley Foundation, Intramural Football, Volleyball.

T.A. ventured from the protective surroundings of Radford to the yellow walls of the Institute. After a few minutes of applied Rat Line, he decided that the life of a cadet wasn't what it had previously seemed to be. Surviving the rigors of the Biology Department has been an achievement in itself, and an equal achievement has been scored in his love life, progressing through the years in intensity and culminating in the awarding of the title—"10 Minute Man."

All kidding aside, T.A. has a very bright future ahead of him with his Karmen Ghia and Joanie(?). His determination to succeed in whatever he tries can only bring him the success he deserves.

Pvt., Rat Swimming, Gymnastics, Intramural Volleyball, Gymnastics, Coach-Rat Gymnastics, Political Science Society.

The blonde-headed, bird-whistling Bill Bragg sealed his four-year adventure while still at the notorious Fork Union Military Academy. An ardent supporter of Superfish's tub-club, and Smiling Jack's acrobatics, his final "dislocation" put him in the upper, left row of the bleachers, instead of on the high bar. His Academic campaign started out with a real "zip," but he has done more than add life to Col. Dillard's Shakespeare class wit. Bill has proved himself a responsible, dedicated man and knows how to prove himself when given the chance. High in standing among English majors, Willy plans to secure a life for Karen and himself in business. His decisions can be made at the flip of a coin, and, surprisingly enough, he has outdone the Ranger-Airborne boys at the toolshed. Only the best of success can follow Bill in his future years.



William Melvin Bragg
Midland Park, New Jersey

James Randall Farmer
History, Artillery

Pvt., L.Cpl., Lt., DMS, Intramural Volleyball, Cadet Battery, Armed Forces Club, IRC, Political Science Society, Assistant Manager Lejeune Hall, Civil War Round Table.

Pete came to VMI anticipating a military career, and he was disappointed that he couldn't major in Military Science.

Although his Rat Year was not the best, he gained great respect for the Ratline and the class system.

We think of Pete as accomplishing the difficult task of maintaining the proper sense of values while wearing stripes his First Class Year. Although he executes his military duties diligently, his prudence is uncommon and a credit to him.

He has accomplished his goal of graduating from VMI with an RA commission, and we certainly want to wish a good Brother Rat the best of luck.



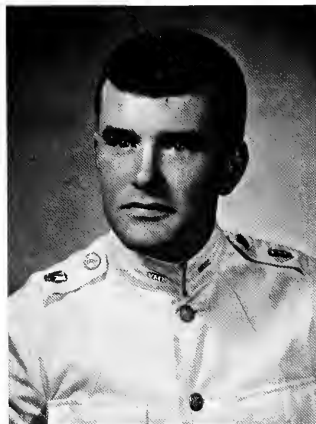
"Salty Dog" Walton

George Richard Walton
History, Infantry

Pvt., Rat Football, Intramural Softball, Football, YRC, Class Committee, "The Dirty Thirty," Ghetto, IGBA.

George's greatest achievement his Rat Year was his regular position on Charlie's Green Sheep Team. There was no girl in his life then, and he was all man. In his Third Class year he decided to devote his energies to more fruitful interests—Nancy. He captained Big "E" to an undefeated football season. When not soberly watching a football game with Nancy, he can sometimes be found throwing beer on girls in Georgetown, finding the strangest excuses to show off his blue and white "go-fasters" in a Richmond hotel, or "testing out" his class ring behind Johnny's.

We hope that next year George will take time out from his law studies, come back for a ball game, dawn his "pow" hat, get drunk, and lead us in a chorus of "Salty Dog!"



George Richard Walton
Salem, Virginia

William Dean Warren
History, Armor

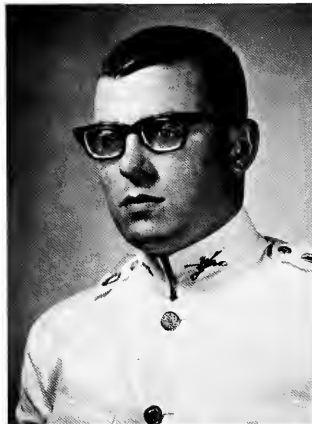
Pvt., Sgt., Bn. Sgt. Maj., Rat Football, Intramural Football, Cross Country, FCA, Spirit of '68 Committee, Fire Fighter, AFC.

Buddha, you are inscrutable! If one phrase were needed to describe Bill's life as a cadet, it should be "a fluid situation." The gyrations of his major, military service, rank, interests, and love life have left his Brother Rats bewildered. Like Alice's disappearing Cheshire cat, Willy will withdraw until all that is left is his tell-tale smile.

We have no doubts that we shall one day hear about Willy once again. His level headed leadership will stand him in good stead. His courage of conviction and strength of character make him the exception as a man and a friend.



Bill Warren



William Dean Warren
Benton Harbor, Michigan



Bill Waldo



William Joseph Waldo, Jr.
Churchland, Virginia

William Joseph Waldo, Jr.
Biology, Artillery

Pvt., DAS, Honor Court, Intramural Football, Volleyball, Hop and Floor Committee, Ring Figure Committee, Ghetto, IGBA.

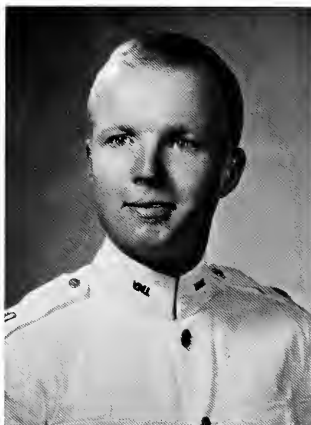
B. J., not fat, merely rotund, came to VMI with high ideals which resulted in a Dean's List average and a Lance Corporal shine. The Corps Trip his Third Class year was definitely the turning point in Billy's cadetship. Ten-One-and Twenty, and an inflated sense of his capabilities, induced by the influence of alcohol, pointed him in the right direction. During his Second Class year, his roommates watched as many of the straight laces in his shoes began to pop. B.J.'s First Class year was highlighted by his acceptance to medical school, and his post furlough attempts to avoid the "fat boy's" list.

John Jackson Bagby
Civil Engineering, Air Force

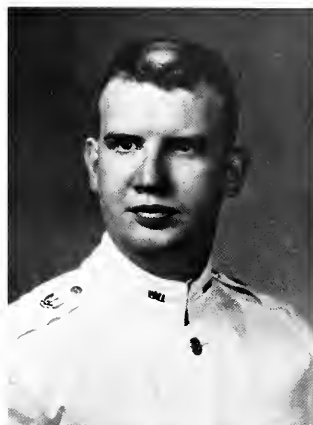
Pvt., Rat Social Committee, Girl Watching & Chasing & Catching Society, Intramural Volleyball, IEEE, ASCE, Hop and Floor Committee, Alphonzo Club.

The Bagby-VMI marriage was initially shocking, later resulting in separation and a divorce. Overcoming this handicap every weekend, the Kneewalkers' bassman could be seen on the mantel at PHI, PSI, or about town in his yellow Sprite. Known to cherish many a girl, his long hair, and even a drink or ten, Jack just never could allow the Institute to slow him down. It did try, however, and the demerit magnet was a familiar sight at the late Committee meetings.

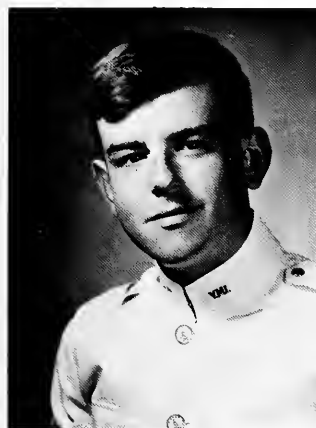
"Bags" personality and phenomenal ability to pull it out will continue to transform probable disaster into success for a truly sincere Brother Rat.



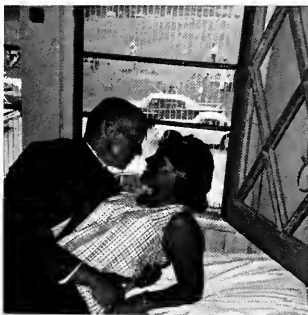
William Percy Cobb
Franklin, Virginia



Frank Henry Breault, Jr.
Dover, Delaware



John Jackson Bagby
Danville, Virginia



Bill Cobb

Frank Henry Breault, Jr.
Chemistry, Armor

Pvt., ASC, Westminster Fellowship, Tanker Platoon.

In the short time that Frank has been with us, he has managed to build up quite a business. Frank, it is rumored, has a controlling interest in the Club Crozet, the Pirate's Den, and the "If you ain't got it, you can't fix it" shop located adjacent to the Temple. These all do different types of body work.

Nevertheless, this mild mannered TC has piled up quite an impressive record, and with a little luck and thin trees Frank will go a long way.

Good luck Frank, I hear there's a group in the Ozarks called the Fender Benders. . . .
Tighten Up!!

William Percy Cobb
Civil Engineering, Air Force

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Capt., E Company Commander, Intramural Football, Volleyball, Basketball, ASCE.

When "Head" Cobb sauntered through Jackson Arch in September 1964, one could easily see that this ambitious young man was destined to become a leader and an outstanding cadet in the Corps. Yes, with a size 7 3/4 garrison cap Bill had to be a success . . . and a success he was, both academically and militarily. His military accomplishment as Cadet Captain was also outstanding, following in the long list of Echo Company Commanders. Another important aspect of Bill's VMI life revolved around Madison College. "Franklinite," she knew the competition was rough. Now it seems that she has finally tied our hero down.

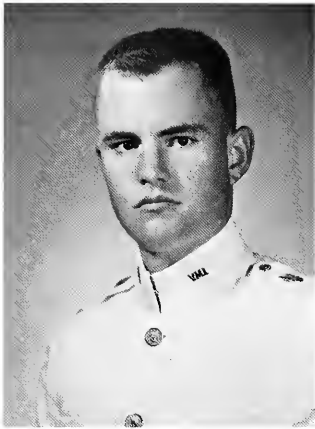
We, the Class of 1968, wish the best to Bill Cobb and his Madison "hon."



"Bags" Bagby



Frank Breault



William James Flavin
Los Angeles, California

William James Flavin
History, Infantry

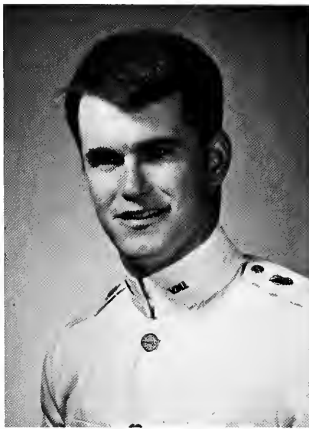
Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Cpt., Regimental Adj., Judo, Intramural Baseball, Soccer, Civil War Round Table-Secretary, Newman Club, Political Science Society-V.P., Aquatic Club-President, Ring Figure Committee-Chairman.

And God created Flavin and he was good . . . too good. Since then a myriad of attempts has been made to destroy this sense of conscientious good.

Many women have tried to seduce the "golden-toed" Bill, but his divine good triumphed time and again.

Academia attacked without success, trying to blow his mind with pounding native rhythms and flashing lights and the "Box," taking away study time. Resulting only in a momentary lapse of his matchless ability to spell.

And then there was Friday—1335 hrs. The last round of the bugle blow, and the invisible guard team assembled.



Stanton Fitzgerald Jones
Chatham, New Jersey

Stanton Fitzgerald Jones
History, Infantry

Pvt., Rat Swimming, Intramural Basketball, Football, Softball, Cadet Staff-Editor, Bomb Staff, Ring Figure Committee, Fire Fighter, IRC, Pioneer Investment Club, Hop and Floor Committee, New Jersey Club, Young Republicans Club, Armed Forces Club.

Our Yankee was quickly converted to Rebel ways upon his entrance to VMI. Evidence of this is seen in his liking for Otis, Rebel Yell, and Blue Ribbon.

The real snake in the apartment crew, Jerry also made the toga party. Nothing could keep Jerry from his weekly dates, and his ability to get away from VMI on weekends was known far and wide.

Despite his numerous "extra-curricular" activities both at and away from VMI, Jerry has amassed a fine academic record which he will carry to business school. Good luck, Jerry . . . and hacc lai!



"Zab" Mitchell

Zebulon Vance Mitchell, Jr.
Civil Engineering, Air Force

Pvt., Intramural Football, Basketball, Softball, Tennis, Volleyball, ASCE, Tidewater Club, Glee Club.

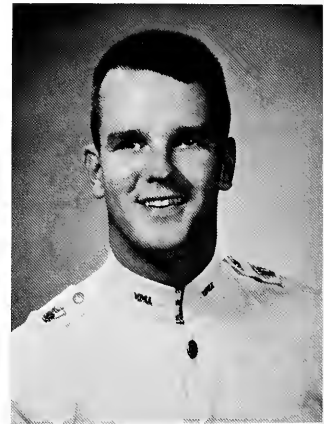
As a Rat, Vance was hard to phase, and he developed a cavalier attitude to both the Rat Line and academics as well, but he managed to elude the fifth stoop and mass a fairly respectable GPA. Vance conquered Myrtle Beach but lost the Battle of Petersburg. First Class year found Vance his usual energetic self, instructing the Rats in the finer use of the hay rack and the importance of clean sheets. Well, time will tell, but we're sure our Virginia Gentleman and his pretty Miss Carol, will enjoy life to the fullest.



Bill Flavin



Jerry Jones

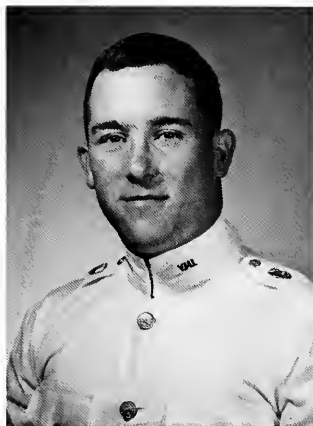


Zebulon Vance Mitchell, Jr.
Waverly, Virginia

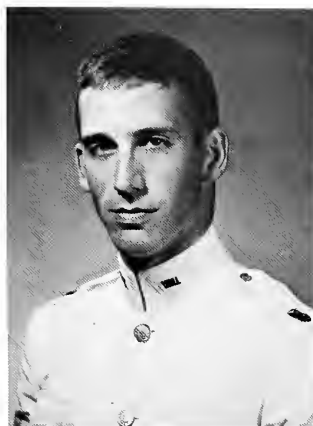
The First Class



"Chips" McCallum



Rodney Gerald Crowgey
Wytheville, Virginia



Joseph Collins Talbott
Clarksville, Virginia

Charles Falconer McCallum, Jr.
Economics, Armor

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Lt., Vice-Chairman of the RDC, Rat Wrestling, Soccer—Co-Captain, Intramural Soccer, Volleyball, Football, Tanker Platoon, "Unfortunate Five," Magnificent Seven.

Chips came to the Institute believing that there was no better college in the world. During his four years, this thought, has been challenged many times—by others and himself. He has realized that not all VMI men are to be idolized—there are just as many duds at the Institute as at any other college. However, his experience at VMI has taught him to distinguish between the duds, and the people that are a credit to VMI.

Chips places the Institute somewhat disillusioned, but more prepared to face the challenges of life.

Rodney Gerald Crowgey
Economics, Air Force

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Lt., Intramural Volleyball, Bomb Staff, Pioneer Investment Club, Cadet Assistant—Eco. Dept., Scuba Club.

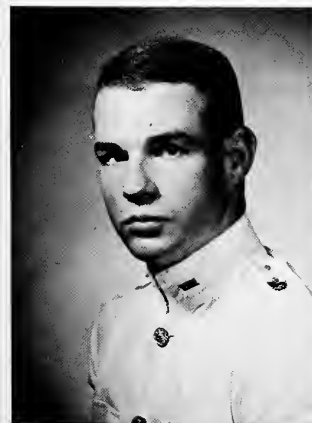
A Cadet's life is a protean entity in a metaphysic founded on incessant conflict where the winner takes nothing—or everything. One can wander aimlessly through four years of sleepless nights, complex theories, and perpetual fatigue; or one can search for the system's values and pursue his elected goals. Media toward the latter end must be discovered from within ones identity. It is a process of building up and tearing down—a system of substitution—a system that will rot in a cadet's mind once sight of his goals is lost. Here, there is no secret for success. Those who are able to endure the rigors of cadet life may well be winners—they've lasted four years and have earned their right to be free; but their success is not yet a reality—it may never be . . . Though for one cadet, we know it will be.

Joseph Collins Talbott
English, Armor

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Lt., DMS, Cross Country, Track, Intramural Volleyball, ACS, Hop and Floor Committee, Tanker Platoon, Summer School Club.

"Ole Tal" came over from Germany in '64, and in the land of opportunity he found himself a girl and a college. Although still doing the Twist, Joe managed to make the collegiate scene here at VMI. Actually, I think Germany had a good effect on Joe; of course, I don't know what effect he had on Germany. I do know he had quite an effect on Miss Cookie Corrington.

Those who have not had the pleasure of knowing this famed Frankfurt Eagle have really missed something. Good luck Tal; have a nice honeymoon. Hang loose.



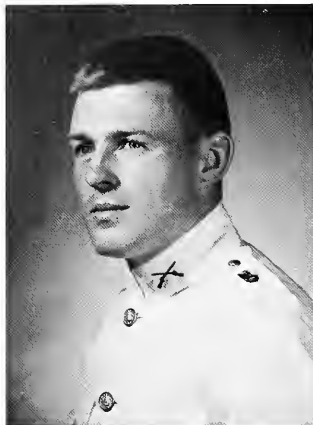
Charles Falconer McCallum, Jr.
Newport News, Virginia



Rod Crowgey



"Tal" Talbott

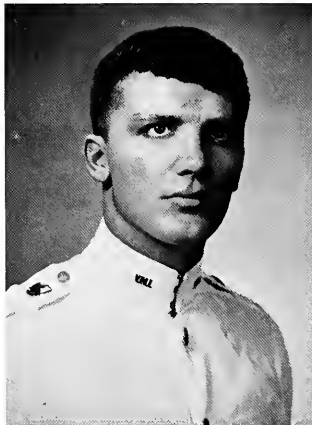


Francis Arthur Drake
Arlington, Virginia

Francis Arthur Drake
Mathematics, Infantry

Pvt., Rifle Team, Lunch, Main Sinks Patrol.

On the 10th of Sept. in '64, Francis came to VMI after living in several states, and decided to settle down to four peaceful years in the lovely and sedate Shenandoah Valley. After meeting his cadre corporal, his first acquaintance in the famous Corps, his dream was shattered. He wanted to be a mistake and was successful beyond all belief. After taking half of his math courses twice, to insure complete mastery of the subjects, he is absent-mindedly looking forward to reaching his goal of four long years—graduation. Best of luck . . . you'll need it.

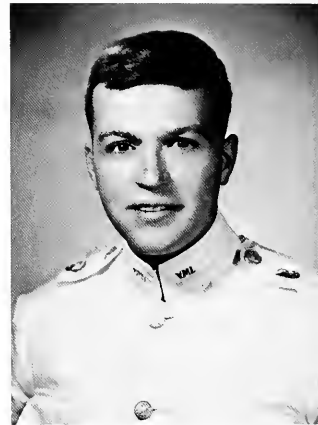


LeRoy Edgar Shoemaker, II
Goldsboro, North Carolina

LeRoy Edgar Shoemaker, II
Civil Engineering, Air Force

Pvt., L.Cpl., DAFS, Rat Basketball, Rat Track, Cross Country, Indoor and Outdoor Track, ASCE, Monogram Club, AFC, IRC, CCFB.

As the time comes closer for our release, many minds turn to the invention of ways to catch up with the world. Lee, however, is one of the few who has kept right in step with the world with a multitude of beautiful girls to help him forget. His achievements in track and academics have helped to keep our beloved Institute from messing up his mind. Lee had found those things at VMI that are truly important, the things which really prepare a person for life. We wish him well, and rest assured he will make a large contribution to the world.



Robert Allen Zachman
Petersburg, Virginia

Robert Allen Zachman
Biology, Infantry

Pvt., Swimming, Track, Trainer, Soccer Club, Intramural Football, Volleyball, Tennis, Handball, Soccer.

Bob Zachman has majored in MS since entering the Institute. In recognition of his military prowess, "Zach" has been declared a DMS for consistently making D's in Military Science. He also tops the Biology Department with the most demerits and probably leads on PT's and confinements.

"Zach" has been exceedingly popular with his Brother Rats, and is known for his sense of humor and hearty laughter. Upon graduation, Bob will attend Dental School at MCV, and we are sure that he will succeed, especially if his friends take good notes.

"Class one point: Gupton stalling!" said the flower-powered jailbird.



Frank Drake



Lee Shoemaker



"Zach" Zachman

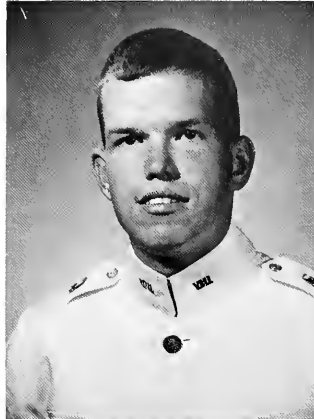
The First Class



Albert Maifield Jackson
Waverly, Virginia



Herbert Watkins Laine
Windsor, Virginia



Myron Irvin Dickerson
Richmond, Virginia

Albert Maifield Jackson
Electrical Engineering, Air Force

Herbert Watkins Laine
Economics, USMC

Myron Irvin Dickerson
Modern Languages, Air Force

Pvt., Wrestling, Intramural Volleyball, IEEE, Cadet Waiter, State Cadetship.

Pvt., L.Cpl., No. 1 Club, Ghetto, IGBA.

Pvt., L.Cpl., Intramural Basketball, Handball, Football, Tennis.

Albert came to us in September of 1964 from Waverly, Virginia. His dyke, "Rooster," gave him the name "Black Bart" because he was so mean looking and due to his many actions as a Rat. When he first arrived, he was a strong, lean boy, but with many Saturday nights uptown, plus his many activities at the Pine Room and Zollman's parties, Black Bart has become a man with a plump little beer body.

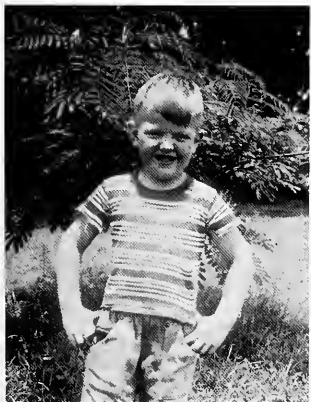
After living in Windsor, Va., for 18 years, it took Herb some time to adjust to the sprawling metropolis of Lexington. This lasted one year, during which he played the game and emerged as a ranking Lance Corporal. During his Third Class Year, he became a member of the distinguished organization, The Number One Club. No doubt, this would be a turning point in any man's life, and Herb is no exception. After this event, his condition has steadily deteriorated: he no longer held or aspired for rank, this led to his residence in the Ghetto during his Second Class year.

When I hit the hay that first fateful night of 10 September, 1964, whoever could have guessed that the slow-moving Southerner in the next bay would ever last till Christmas. He was so slow that he must have been the only Rat to pick up 40 demerits for being late to formations!

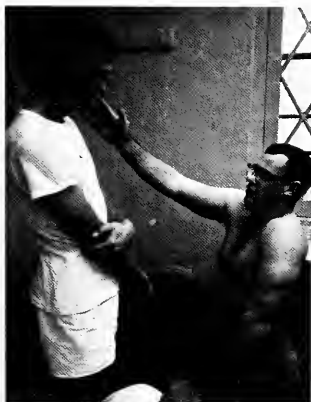
Even though the class of 1968 will be leaving the Institute and going their many ways, the smiling face and the gentle personality of the one we call "Black Bart" will never part from us or the drab yellow of the Institute.

Herbert's success can be measured by his acceptance to law school, and his outstanding performance in the PLC program.

But he finally picked up speed and caught himself a short, pretty brunette, named Judy who has suffered with him through all his four, long years at the Institute. Of course, his relationship improved considerably when he switched from Physics to French, where he learned how to "sweet talk" with words instead of formulae.



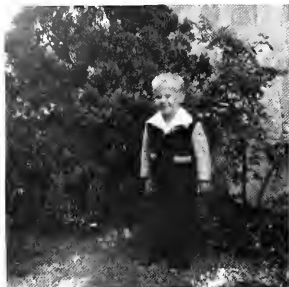
"Black Bart" Jackson



"H.T.P.L.B.L." Laine



Dick Dickerson



"Rocket K" Rankin

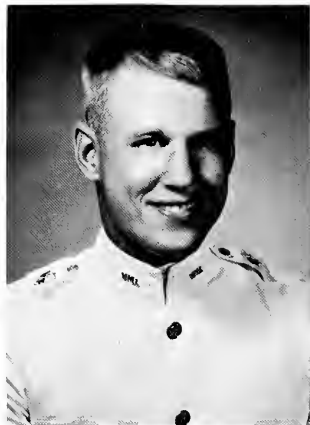
Richard Kenneth Rankin
Economics, Armor

Pvt., L.Cpl., 1st Sgt., DMS, RDC, Rat Football, Varsity Football, Rat Football Coach, Intramural Volleyball, Pioneer Investment Club, Monogram Club, Ghetto, IGBA Commissioner.

"Tricky Dickie" started VMI with a loud "bang"—26 weeks confinement, pranks on his classmates, and many trips to the RDC. The real bang came when his love for animals caused him to flip his beloved Rambler in a valiant effort to avoid hitting a dog. Muff!!

Now that the beginning bang is a legend among the Rats, "Rocket K" has a much different image as he leaves VMI. He is now B-Co.'s First Sergeant and RDC Representative, Rat football coach, and Dean's List student.

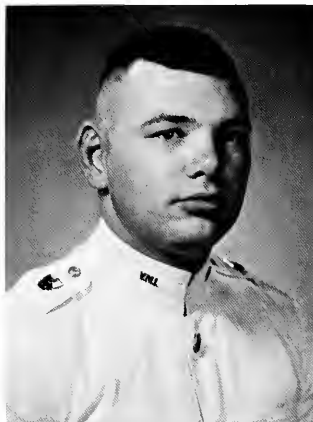
What a change and all for the best! He only bucks the system once in a while when he can't pull away from Madison to get back in time for taps.



Richard Kenneth Rankin
Greenbelt, Maryland



John Byrd



John Charles Byrd
Roanoke, Virginia

John Chalmers Sutton, III
Electrical Engineering, Artillery

Pvt., Golf, Ghetto, Westminster Fellowship, IRC, Fire Fighters.

This Staunton Military Academy ranker saw the light and made his career at VMI as a private. The first memorable event of his cadetship was the "Papa Joe Affair" when he entertained one of their entertainers.

John's upperclass years have been spent at Johnny's and the barracks study room, mostly when he wasn't supposed to be in either place.

He is possibly the only man in the history of VMI who has not swept the floor and spends his time between BRC and first CP reading the sports page of the Roanoke Times.



"Snail" Sutton



John Chalmers Sutton, III
Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania

James Harris Stirling
History, Infantry

Pvt., DMS, Football, Softball, Volleyball, Bomb Staff, Hop and Floor Committee, Richmond Club, Fire Fighters, Young Republicans, IRC.

When Jim saw VMI for the first time, little did he know what was in store for him. What a miserable rat year with RDC, 'rithmetic, and roommates.

But the move to Club 311, and the History Department changed Jim's ways. Room 250 and the ghetto-land cultivated his evasion of Institute regulations. After a quick sprint down the stoop, he made the trip to the Superintendent's office.

After a long struggle and hardly a dateless weekend, it appears Jim will receive his diploma and aim his Cougar for Ft. Benning.

Good luck, Jim.



James Harris Stirling
Petersburg, Va.



Jim Stirling

Stephen Ernest Wilson
History, Armor

Pvt., DMS, Intramural Volleyball, Tanker Platoon, Armed Forces Club, Newman Club, Catholic Choir, Glee Club, Timmins Music Society.

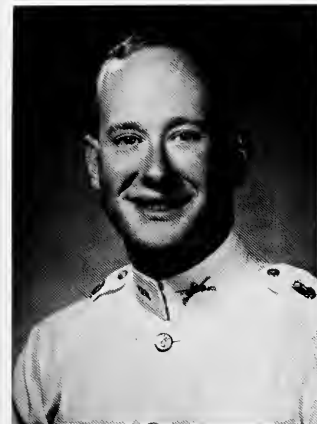
Steve, having lived in a military environment as an Army brat, arrived on the post with much anticipation and enthusiasm about taking the Institute well in stride. Confident though he was, he began to wonder just a little when he heard those fateful words "Rack it in, Rat."

This year Steve has decided to go RA and become a true "treadhead." Too bad 442's don't handle too well in rice patties, right Steve?

Surely, with his determination, Steve will have much success in the Army.



Steve Wilson



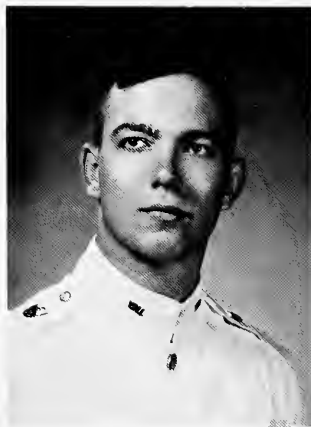
Stephen Ernest Wilson
Arlington, Virginia

Alfred Littlefield Smith, Jr.
History, Armor

Pvt., Intramural Football, Volleyball, Softball, Judo, J. M. Hall Usber, Pig Award, Ghetto.

Known by all within two weeks of matriculation, Alfred firmly established himself in the select crew of legendary Keydets. Continuing where he left off, Alf became a product of the infamous Club 60 of our Dyke's era. Fred has continued to maintain a philosophy contrived to bring maximum enjoyment through minimum physical effort.

Who else but Alf would leave a date while he marched down to DRC? Who else had the courage, as a Rat, to walk out the arch with a hayroll on his shoulder? Who else could win the Pig Prize six weeks in a row?



Alfred Littlefield Smith, Jr.
Richmond, Virginia



Alf Smith



"Root" Cowardin



"Alphonzo" Dellinger



Rick Brothers



Mac Parrish



"Webb" Warwick

John Walter Warwick, III
Civil Engineering, Armor

Pvt., Rat Cross Country, Wrestling, Intramural Football, ASCE, Episcopal Church, Girls, Dr. Foster's Sleep Lab.

Johnny's quiet humor and happy-go-lucky attitude have become a fixture of our class. Maybe he really is "God's gift to women." Lucky women, if Webb ever graduates. But graduate he will, 'cause Webb has both the brains and the pleasant personality it takes to get through this place. This year, "Sky Jew" gave Webb an unplanned vacation which lasted from Dawn to February. Undaunted, Webb returned and restarted his love life where he had left off.

Long John has kept quite a number of his Brother Rats smiling in the last four years. If this is any indication of what's to come, when Webb gets out—watch out world!

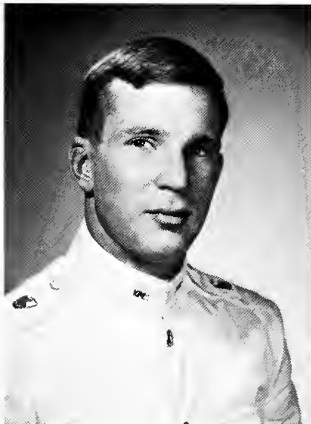
Jack McPherson Parrish, III
History, Armor

Pvt., L. Cpl., Varsity Soccer, Intramural Baseball, Hop and Floor Committee, Ring Committee, Pioneer Investment Club, YRC, Bee's Nest.

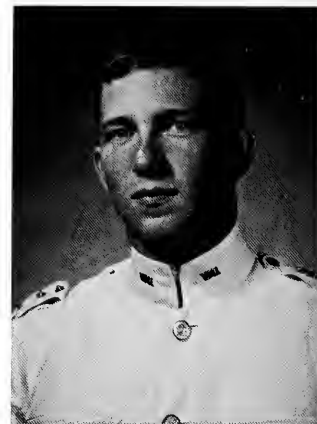
An adventurer of sorts, a devilish wanderer, the Cap'n is a man of many experiences. First came rank and for 3 summer months Mac was a sharp Lance Corporal . . .

A wild love for women has led him to the Bahamas, and up and down the East Coast. Always broke and willing to sell anything, Mac has come to be known for his love of diamonds this year.

The Cap'n has missed little. He was offered and denied his RA in the same month, and he lost his chance to visit scenic Viet Nam. With a laugh, he casts away his losses and looks for the triumphs which are inevitable. We hope they come soon.



Jack McPherson Parrish, III
Richmond, Virginia



John Walter Warwick, III
Virginia Beach, Virginia



"Beachball" Kopecko

Dennis Jon Kopecko
Biology, Armor

Pvt., Newman Club, IRC, Richmond Club, Psychology Dept. Assistant, Intramural Volleyball.

No one would ever guess that "Beachball" had been a ranger in a military high school! After five months confinement his Rat year, Dennis has rarely agreed with the military. Academics were his challenge, and he met it with a great determination and many nights of late study. As a result, Dennis could usually be found almost anywhere sleeping during the day (Would you believe the Sentinel Box?)!

With Medical school on his mind, and several girls in his heart, Dennis has almost reached his goal. Best of luck, Dennis.

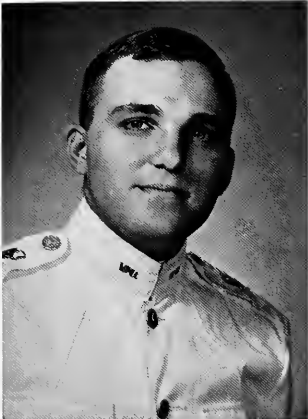
Ronald Lynn Cowardin
Biology, Infantry

Pvt., RDC, Wrestling Judo, Cheerleader, Intramural Football, Volleyball, Newman Club, Monogram Club, Partying and Drinking Club.

On the surface, Ron is a true hedonist. As the originator of hasa-Lai-ponce, he has spent many hours contemplating life and maybe a Pabst label. He has the ability to cheer up others simply by being there, by displaying that crooked grin, and spewing forth some Cowardin philosophy.

Ron is also a man of many moods, and there is a deeper Ron that most don't see; yet, the few who do know this side of Ron value his friendship even more. He has a mind which is deep and probing and a complex personality to accompany it.

Take care, Ron, and we'll meet you at the next rally in Canada, or maybe Tahiti.



Lyman Riddick Brothers, III
Biology, Air Force

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Lt., XO E Co., Honor Court, Rat Cross Country, Athletic Trainer, Intramural Volleyball, Basketball, Weight Training, YRC, VAS.

Unlike most of us, Rick has had his feet on the ground since the first day our class marched through Jackson Arch. With medicine his first goal, this young man kept his nose in the books. At the same time, Rick knew that the academics weren't everything. A friendly smile and sense of responsibility were his trademarks. He was elected to one of our most cherished positions as an Honor Court Representative. Even though Rick could sleep it up on the weekends with the best, he was usually found taping together our football players and wrestlers as Head Trainer. With all this, he mysteriously found time to serve as Echo Company Exec, and part time sports car racer in his new MGB.

Michael Allen Dellinger
Economics, Armor

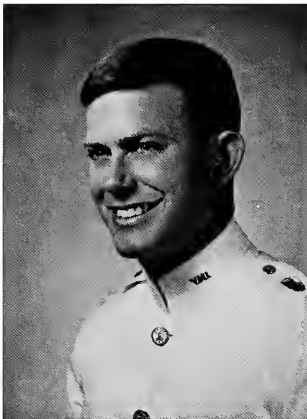
Pvt., Fencing, Intramural Volleyball, Intersvarsity Christian Fellowship, Timminas Society, AFC, IRC, Alphonzo Club.

Life at VMI—Gus, Frances, Tom and Hank, E. Sue, Betsy, PT's, RDC, GC, 6-50, breach-block, Sara, Summer School, Drudik, Sweet William, Alphonzo Club, Dee, Crimmon Baroness, Trudy from Madison, Dion Wright, Sir John Warich, Dave and Smily Jack, Birdseed, FTX, Vicki, Lyn Ellen Bombad, Ring Figure, Leigh, Guy, Lighting Joe, Rich, Dave, Brenda, Susi, Operation Flag-Staff, EC, SAE, Margie, Clubhouse, "Pot," Johnny Pabst Blue Ribbon, Rat Graves, Foxy Dave, Crow's Nest, Sweet Lips, Art and Billy, Dewfus, "Gross Shoes," Lord Byron, Killer, Rich, Economics, Whoopie-doo, most fun you can have without laughing, Singing and Swing.

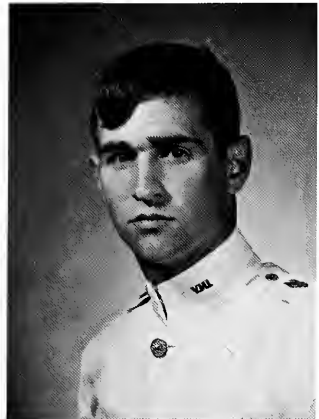
Dennis Jon Kopecko
Richmond, Virginia



Ronald Lynn Cowardin
Richmond, Virginia



Lyman Riddick Brothers, III
Emporia, Virginia



Michael Allen Dellinger
Lynchburg, Virginia

Thompson Osa Coryell
History, Artillery

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Lt., 2nd Bn. S-3, Intramural Volleyball, Cross Country, Political Science Society, IRC, VMI Religious Council, BSU, Cadet Battery.

Although some doubted that he could long endure the stresses of being a member of the backbone of the corps, Osa adapted with little difficulty, to his post as a first class private. A brief stint as a regimental first private helped to bridge the transition.

Accounting seemed to occupy much of Tom's time. At least he spent many hours in the Economics Department. Contrary to popular opinion, it is possible to be in the good graces of a member of this notorious department.

Despite originally being a loyal member of the "men in blue," his interest in "the tube" led him inevitably to select the Artillery.

As a member of the elite "stoop-poop" group, Tom gloried in revealing little known information of great significance to our daily mode of living.



"Oss" Coryell

John Douglas Royster
Economics, Armor

Pvt., Rat Social Committee, Intramural Handball, Football, Volleyball, Glee Club, Pioneer Investment Club, Ghetto.

Tex came to VMI with a chip on his shoulder, which was usually covered up by his long hair, and was the only Rat to think that there was a Ghetto on the fourth stoop. His struggle to fill his brothers shoes (Cadet Captain) was cut short by a cast on his foot, so he decided to let his hair grow for eight weeks.

As a second, John found himself taking room orderly only once, and studying for final exams in the W & L Law Library in civilian clothes.

Tex has retained his individuality during his four years at VMI, but as far as the military is concerned, his biggest question has been, "Garnett . . . Who?"



"Tex" Royster

Richard Raymond Martinez, Jr.
History, Air Force

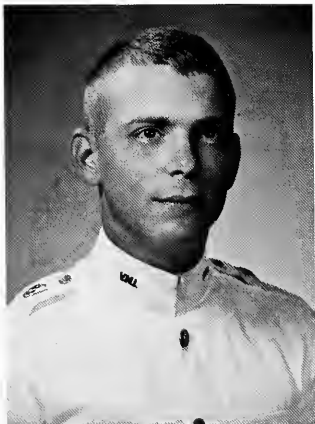
Pvt., L.Cpl., Intramural Football, Softball, Volleyball, Basketball, Handball, Armed Forces Club VP, Newman Club, Catholic Choir, Pres. ATD, Yankee Club.

Out of Stony Point, New York, selling his tortillas and chilli peppers on the way, Senor Ricky came from the "Land of the VMI of the North." Already he has gained much fame, especially in the never, never land of the Great White W—. The intensity of this great pass time will soon shrink to nothingness for Peter Fitzfenworth Anthony Armstrong Jones-Smith Westminster, Junior will soon don the radiant blue uniform of the United States Air Force., or should it be Farce, for five years (?). Into the Great FTX, Rick will bear with him pleasant memories of the fun-filled years of Institute Good Deals.

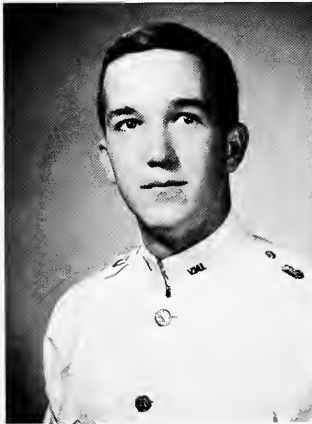
"Come Jacko-O Come."



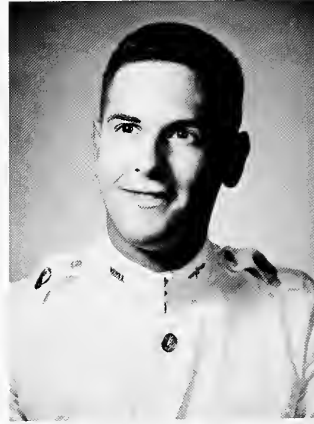
Rick Martinez



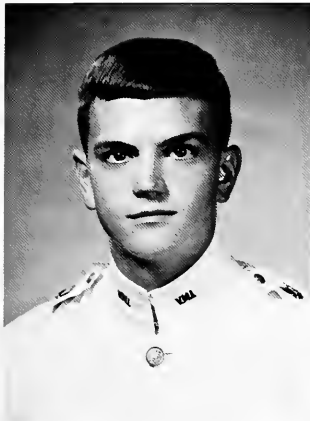
Thompson Osa Coryell
Herndon, Virginia



John Douglas Royster
Lynchburg, Virginia



Richard Raymond Martinez, Jr.
Stony Point, New York



John Richard Siegel
White Stone, Virginia



Robert Raymond Mitchell, Jr.
Aberdeen, Maryland



Catlin Emmett Tyler, Jr.
Richmond, Virginia



Rick Siegel



"Bob" Mitchell



"Kit" Tyler

John Richard Siegel
Electrical Engineering, Artillery

Robert Raymond Mitchell, Jr.
History, Infantry

Catlin Emmett Tyler, Jr.
History, Air Force

Pvt., Sup. Sgt., Distinguished Academic Student, DMS, Who's Who in American Colleges, Rat Basketball, Soccer, Baseball, IEEE, Sigma Pi Sigma, Glee Club, Ring Figure Committee.

Four years at the all-sheltering Institute have definitely contributed to shaping Rick's goal and ideals. Obtaining something from nothing, realizing feeling from the inanimate have been the goals, the gesture not taken for granted the ideal.

Militarily, it was easy come, easy go, and the environment has been quite conducive in determining which careers not to follow. Blind optimism with ideas and friends have usually, resulted in a Foam or accomplishment or satisfaction, graduate school and a military commitment will commence with graduation. Following this, Rick will hopefully, be dominated again by that mirthful optimism.

Pvt., 1st Sgt., DMS, Intramural Volleyball, Swimming, Cross Country, RDC, Club 412, Armed Forces Club.

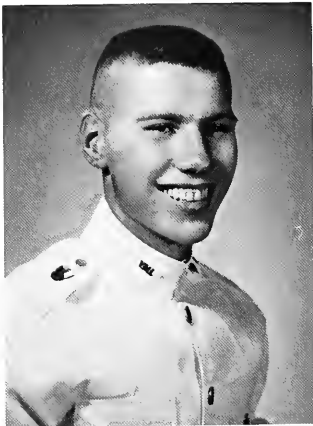
Mitch might not have gotten as much rank as he wanted, but its a bet that few people ever had grubbier shoes, shirt or hat, and still ended up with stripes on his sleeves. It's also a bet that no one was more unsure about what he knew on a test and then ended up passing the thing. Nor are there many people who have been as sure of the girl as Mitch has been. You could put money on that tool. Having gone this far, you might as well bet your life that no better friend, Brother Rat, or man could be found.

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Supply Sgt., Tennis.

Kit Tyler came to us from Richmond, inheriting the Institute from his alumnus father. He has been one of our most amiable classmates, and is especially noted for maintaining an open mind toward the Administration. His willingness to try to see Smith Hall's point-of-view has provided a great deal of guidance to some of us on more than one occasion in these past four years.

At graduation then, the Institute will gain Kit as one of their staunchest alumni. To the class, he will remain one of the most dependable Brother Rats and to those of us who knew him well, Kit will continue to be one of our closest and most trusted friends.

The best of everything, Kit.



John William Bryant, II
Columbus, Ohio

John William Bryant, II
Biology, Infantry

Pvt., Rat Swimming, Intramural Volleyball, VAS, IRC.

For Bill, as for most confident high school graduates, the VMI routine was a harrowing experience. By the second semester, his grades and attitude improved, showing his adjustment to the new environment. The third class year afforded Bill an opportunity to try his leadership abilities under the VMI system. After two months, Bill proudly wore a clean sleeve for the rest of his cadetship. Most cadets remember Bill as the cadet who they saw only when he was headed to or from SSH to study. Even in his first class year, Bill awed the most diligent students with his relentless drive towards better grades. Although many people have had little opportunity to know Bill, those who have will never forget his warm friendship and his constant interest in others. One could hardly find a kinder and more faithful Brother Rat.



Billy Bryant



Ken Perkins



Kenneth James Perkins
North Bergen, New Jersey

Kenneth James Perkins
History, Air Force

Pvt., L.Cpl., DAFS, Distinguished Academic Student, Who's Who in American Colleges, Intramural Softball, Cadet circulation Mgr., Ass't. Business Mgr., and Managing Editor, Bomb, Business, Manager Ring Figure Magazine, Newman Club, English Society, Hop & Floor Com., IRC, Vice Pres. Political Science Society, Armed Forces Club, Marshall Library Ass't.

King of the permit and the one night term paper, the typewriter has never failed him. He has had permits approved to miss school, FTX, and practically every inspection. His term paper grades were consistent with his intellect—outstanding.

Ken put his typewriter to work for the Cadet and the Ring Figure Magazine. His unusual ability was recognized when he was named Managing Editor of the paper. He has since made that title synonymous with the term, "Voice of Dissent."

Ken has been quite active at VMI (and at Hollins, for that matter), and leaves quite a trail of academic distinctions, friends, and those never equaled permits.



Lester Colter Martin
Annandale, Virginia

Lester Colter Martin
History, Infantry

Pvt., 1st Sgt. (retired), Judo, Institute Cartoonist, All-Pro. 3rd Class year.

"With all that money, think of the party you could throw." A natural born hell-raiser from Annandale, Les came to these hallowed halls in search of college life. Much to his dismay, refrigerators and ice chests were unauthorized. As a life guard for several summers, he found a chance to improve his water safety, and an opportunity to attend questionable social gatherings with the opposite sex. It's not known where his artistic talents came from, but he managed to tie several of his BR's as the No. 1 artist in barracks. While attending these social functions, he took a dive one night which resulted in a new life, or rather a new outlook on life. Deb is perhaps the largest figure in our hero's life and the Air Mail romance is one to witness. A Corvette, a 5th, and Deb are LC's goals for the future.



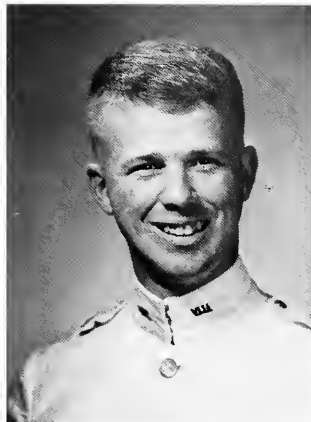
"Les" Martin

Robert Francis Powers, Jr.
Biology, Air Force

Pvt., Rat Cross Country, Rat, Varsity Golf, Intramural Football, Cross Country, Handball, Girls, Studying, Newman Club, Wesley Foundation, Soul Brother, Tidewater Club, Young Republicans Warmonger, Wolf, Tied Down.

Aside from all the fun, games, and good I have encountered at the Institute, I feel that my four years at VMI can best be expressed by borrowing a few lines from Robert Frost's poem "A Road Not Taken":

"I shall be telling this with a sigh
Somewhere ages and ages hence:
Two roads diverged in a wood, and I—
I took the one less traveled by,
And that has made all the difference."



Robert Francis Powers, Jr.
Newport News, Virginia



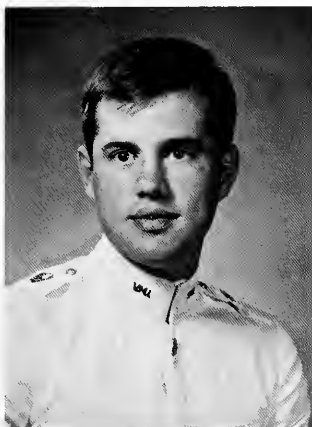
Bob Powers

Robert Sidney DeVos
History, Artillery

Pvt., DMS, Basketball, Cross Country, Tennis, Golf, Intramural Softball, Volleyball, Football, Basketball, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Pioneer Investment Club, Monogram Club, Pittsburgh Club.

Anyone not from VMI, seeing this guy tripping down the basketball court would say "who is this guy?". Little does he know that this guy is "Ole Vos".

Vos is one of the most easy-going fellas in the class. No one has ever seen him in a *?@#%. His philosophy in life is "Taking it easy, man!", and he practices it to the greatest extent, even on the basketball court. He is truly one of the most popular guys in barracks.



Robert Sidney DeVos
McDonald, Pennsylvania

Kenneth Michael Frick
Civil Engineering, Air Force

Pvt., Basketball, Baseball, Intramural Volleyball, Weight Training, ASCE, Newman Club, Dobyn's Coffee Hour, Brookside, Gim, Pittsburgh Club, Dyke, Section Marcher, Room Orderly, Horizontal Lab.

Mike Frick is a rare occurrence at VMI. Although garbed in a uniform, Mike remains a civilian determined to live comfortably and with little concern for regulations. Military Duty was quickly discarded in favor of basketball permit and an extended tour of gim duty.

Commonly known as Morpheus and considered a sleep research major, Mike has attained high standing in the CE Dept., proving fun and academic success can go hand-in-hand.



"Voe" DeVos



Kenneth Michael Frick
Ford City, Pennsylvania



Mike Frick

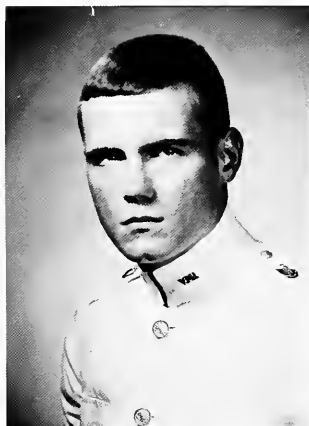
Myles David Gibbons
Biology, Infantry

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Lt., DMS, Wrestling, Intramural Football and Wrestling, VAS, Newman Club, Fire Fighting Detail.

Both in studies and athletics, Dave has performed well during his four years here. This year, even though he is an officer in the Corps, he's found himself situated in the ghetto; and he makes a good ghetto member.

Dave has had four good years here at VMI—that is, as good as things can be! Although he adapted readily and willingly to military life, he also engaged in many of the extracurricular activities upon which the Institute is known to disapprove (togas and Jim Beams)? He's also become an avid follower of Otis.

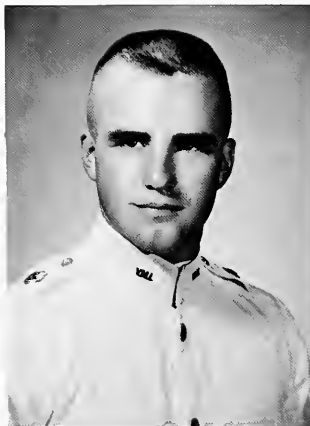
His future plans include medical school followed by his military obligation.



Myles David Gibbons
Mt. Prospect, Illinois



"Wild Bill" Calfee



William Ernest Calfee
Stamford, Connecticut

William Ernest Calfee
English, Armor

Pvt., Rat Swimming, Intramural, Football, Volleyball and Baseball, Tanker Platoon, Armed Forces Club, Ranger Aggressor, MS Major.

Bill's transcript will show he graduated an English major, but his Brother Rats will remember him as an MS major. Always happier in a tank at White's Farm than in a carrel at Preston Library, Bill may be a little late for the Finals. He still wonders who told him the easy way through VMI was to become a Biology major and to make the boss's daughter. His first project failed, but the boss's daughter turned out to be a better woman than any man deserves. We wonder who will be happier in June; Bill, Ann, or the Institute.

Paul Wiseman Simmons
English, Armor

Pvt., Guidon, Intramural Volleyball.

Paul was one of the few rats to finish his first year without losing his high school sweetheart, thus showing the appropriateness of his initials, "PW". After his rat year, Paul continued to struggle up the "hill of science" for four years and three summers. It would be impossible to forget Paul's tremendous personality—his biting sarcasm and bitter scowl, have helped in making life bearable at the Institute. Many of us would be five year men had it not been for Paul's infamous economic devices. Although we have long forgotten what they stand for, many of these significant phrases still ring in our ears. We know Paul will succeed in anything he does.



Paul Wiseman Simmons
Schrell, Virginia



Dave Gibbons



"PW" Simmons

John Jacob Davis
Economics, Artillery

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Lt., DMS, Rat Social Committee, Rat Wrestling, Volleyball, Cadet Battery Commander, Political Science Society, Fire Fighter, **Bomb** Staff.

After four years of sheltered privations, most of us will leave this June with the traditional sheep-skin and gold bars, symbols of the "finished product," the citizen soldier. By mid-summer, "good time" parties, Army life, and those short honeymoons will blur all those many crammed facts accumulated over the four years, making our degrees nothing more than recognitions of effort. As far as the gold bars . . . who will even try to remember the "toolshed" or military duty.

In the years to come, J. J. and the rest of us will recall those special hops—like our Ring Figure—those winning football games, and the many friends that made life worthwhile at the Institute.



Guy Wilson

Stephen Armstrong Strickler
History, Infantry

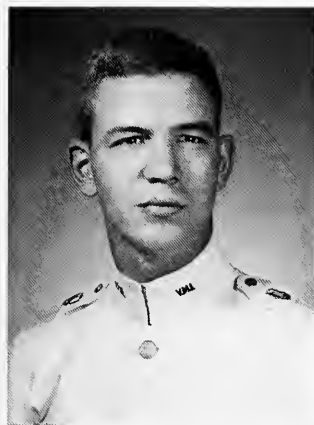
Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Sup. Sgt., DMS, Who's Who in Amer. Colleges, Intramural Basketball, Volleyball, **Bomb** Advertising Manager and Business Manager, Hop and Floor Committee Business Manager, Tidewater Club, Vice President, Ring Committee, Publications Board.

"Strick" hails from the swamplands of Tidewater. His Va. Beach tradition continued at VMI as Steve and his red Pontiac were seldom around on Saturday night.

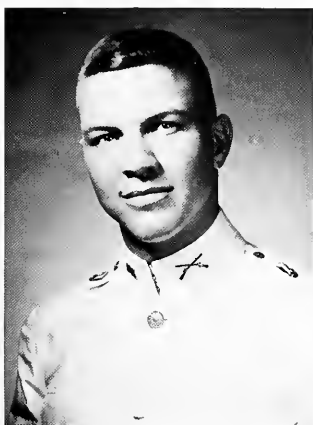
Due to his chronic sickness during CCQ, Steve was the cause of Room 250 making their infamous trip to the OC's hole one Sunday morning. This almost doomed Ring Figure in more ways than one, yet Steve still received his precious stone.

One wonders how Steve managed to keep his stripes. His ulterior motive was probably so that he could find his blouse among the apartment's clean sleeves.

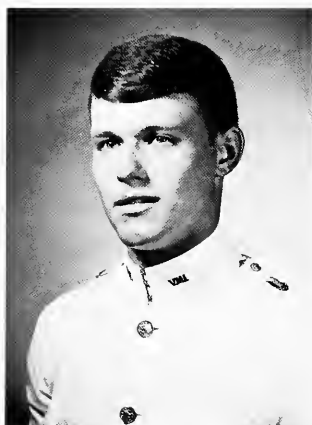
"Strick," Good luck in law school next year!



John Jacob Davis
Charlotte, North Carolina



Guy Alpheus Wilson
Columbus, Georgia



Stephen Armstrong Strickler
Virginia Beach, Virginia

Guy Alpheus Wilson
Biology, Infantry

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Capt., 2nd Bn. Cmdr., DMS, DAS, Intramural Basketball, Weight Training, Rat Basketball, Wesley Foundation, Gloria, IRC, Timmins Society, FTX Int. Camp Cmdr., Sabre Comm., Hardaway Scholarship, Paul S. Newmeyer Award, Lemuel-McKenzie-Long-Jarman Award, Army ROA Medal, Honor Court.

Excellence speaks for itself; Guy Wilson is the epitome of success at VMI.

Possessing a brilliant mind and the gift of leadership, Guy has garnered academic stars, command of the 2nd battalion, and election to the Honor Court. What motivates him? A lovely southern belle named GLORIA has undoubtedly exerted a powerful influence.

Although number two at VMI, everyone knows, in his heart, Guy deserves to be number one; he tries harder. . .

Guy's future is filled with promise. To an outstanding Brother Rat, we wish the best of luck and enduring happiness.



"J. J." Davis



Steve Strickler

Lawrence Jago Stetson
Biology, Air Force

Pvt., L.Cpl., Soccer, Football, Softball, Volleyball, Newman Club, YRC, Political Science Society, Tidewater Club.

Larry, a native of Suffolk, Virginia, is a real co-ordinator and mover. Everyone in barracks has met Larry. This includes the underclassmen. Larry has helped the First Class greatly by assistance in purchase of cars and insurance.

He has also done his share on the soccer field. Larry had a great deal to do with the forming of this club.

Oh! Let's don't forget to mention that good ole' Larry lives in the Ghetto section of barracks.

Larry intends to fulfill his military requirements in the Navy as a pilot after graduation.



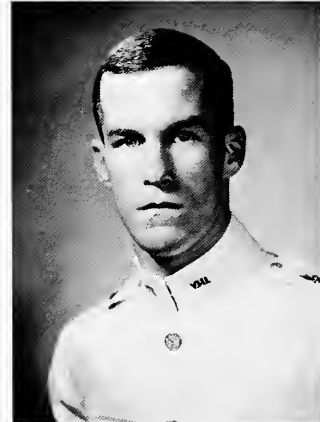
Lawrence Jago Stetson
Suffolk, Virginia

William Bogart Holland
English, Armor

Pvt., Rat Wrestling, Baseball, Volleyball, Football, English Society, Cadet Staff, Pioneer Investment Club, Hop and Floor Committee, Ring Committee, Tidewater Club President, YRC.

Don't let this man's sharp features and sinister Mexican Bandito laugh fool you - - he is actually quite soft hearted. Some girls would dispute this, yet other girls know it. A cadet with nerves of cold steel, "Bogie" has been known to get a case of the D.T.'s while in tense situations, such as the time he was bodily tossed out of the Commandant's Office.

Bogie's cynical approach to life at VMI (and anywhere else for that matter) plus his diabolical W. C. Fields sense of humor make him a constant source of enjoyment to all who come within his sphere of influence. "Bogie's" interest in areas other than academics have left him with a well fought for 2.0 average.



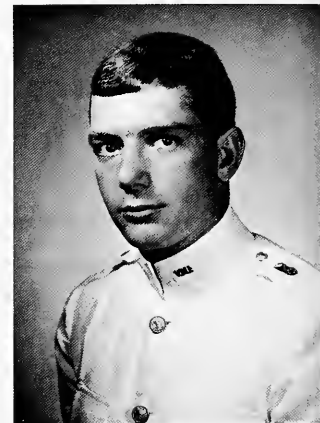
William Bogart Holland
Suffolk, Virginia

Gilbert William Piddington
Physics, Air Force

Pvt., L.Cpl., 1st Sgt., Lt., DMS, Intramural Basketball, Football, American Institute of Physics, Bomb Staff, Glee Club, Chapel Choir.

The "Geator with the Heater," one of B Co's most popular lieutenants, was a member of the "Mallory Mob" for four years, and he astounded the physical world with the concept of "Piddington Space." Unknown to most, Gil has a talent for painting grass red. As a second, he left his mark in Norfolk on the VAS trip and surfed to the sinks in his Hobie T-shirt during CCO as a third. Pid won honors at summer camp with his VMI attitude and looks forward to becoming a "jet jockey."

Best of luck in the future to a good friend and great Brother Rat.



Gilbert William Piddington
Washington Township, New Jersey



"Jago" Stetson



"Bogie" Holland



Gil Piddington

John Lawrence Hart, Jr.
Biology, Navy

Pvt., Head Mgr. of Cross-Country, Indoor and Outdoor Track, Cadet Waiter, Bomb, BSU, Religious Council, Monogram Club, Bloodmobile Comm., Emblem Comm.

John came to VMI as another "Roanoke Rat." At least he was a happy Rat; he always seemed to smile even though there was nothing really to smile about. However, his Romantic tribulations have finally lead to happiness.

Being the only Navy Man in VMI, John had sort of a special "claim to fame." We know that John will make one of the finest Naval Officers ever to graduate from VMI.

We wish to thank John for the time and effort he has devoted to the Track team and for the many permits, and getting the Track team out of inspections.



John Hart



John Lawrence Hart, Jr.
Roanoke, Virginia

William Goff Davis
History, Armor

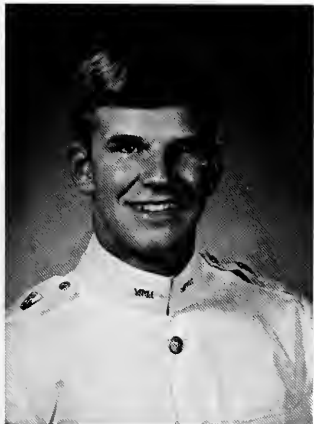
Pvt., Intramural Volleyball, Basketball, Softball, Brookside, Washington St. Discotheque, Pinball Champ, MYF.

West Va.-Ha! You know a lot about it—Right? Go to Florida much, Rat? Listen Man! He ran society in Lexington from June to September. J.M.H. One Blue, Helen! Washington Street Discotheque . . . How about Brookside? He's pretty capable, Pine Room, Zolloman's—Crazy. You ever missed a B-ball game? Hell no! Go Mounties! They won't cut my hair at camp—Sure! Don't bug me man, I've got a lotta jack riding on it—girls jetting in from Fredburg, Row-noke, East Lexington. Nothing frosts me—just this joint, tool shed, rankers, m.o. dogs-Dah-e-muff!

So long Lou, Norm, yellow walls. So long Graves, we'll miss ya buddy.



"Groovey" Davis



William Goff Davis
New Castle, Delaware

John Edward Kemper
Civil Engineering, Artillery

Pvt., Varsity Basketball, Rat Basketball, Baseball, Co-Capt. Basketball, YRC, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Bee's Nest, Club "69".

Yep girls, that's him. VMI's own HOT DOG, Johnny Kemper. He's the only man in Barracks with a manager to schedule dates and public appearances, sign autographs, and swat flies. His tenure at VMI has turned out better than the college careers of most Minks.

Kempo, always flashing a mischievous grin, has been quick to make his place in life a good one. On the basketball court, at parties, or just walking around coed campuses, he displays a confidence in himself that can be accepted by all who come in contact with him.

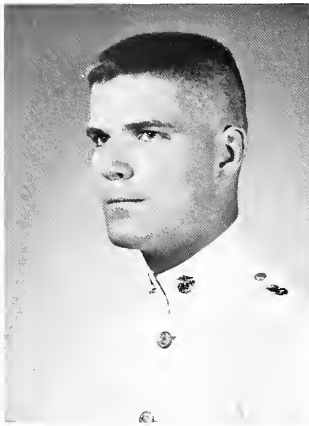
There's nary a fly on Kempo.



"Kempo" Kemper



John Edward Kemper
Alexandria, Virginia

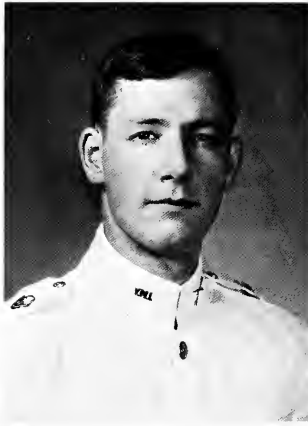


Gregory Charles Lee
Forest City, North Carolina

Gregory Charles Lee
Biology, USMC

Pvt., Rat Swimming, Intramural Cross Country, Football, Basketball, Scouter's Club, SCUBA, Religious Council, Lutheran Club Vice-President, Rangers, Commandant's Trophy for Ranger Stakes Championship, Chief Instructor.

Out of the hills came "the kid" looking for that big party in the sky. Keeping in mind his real purpose at college (a fifth a day keeps the blues away), Greg set off to blaze a trail . . . across the demerit sheets, the front of barracks and girls' schools. Greg's only regret was there was only one Saturday night in a week. Between nights at Johnny's and the touch football games in rain and snow, it is a wonder that Greg survived his four years. Come to think of it, there were some close calls. Believing that studying was a mark of a diseased mind, Greg, nevertheless, managed to make a commendable record in Doc's curriculum.



William David Robertson
Norfolk, Virginia

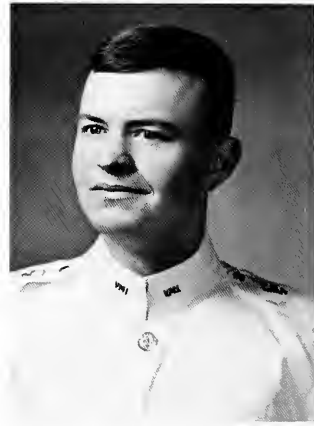
William David Robertson
Chemistry, Infantry

Pvt., Regt. Color Sgt., Judo Club, Basketball, Volleyball, Football, Handball, ACS, Religious Council, President, State President, Glee Club, Tilly William's Club, Nub Club.

Mit hiss güit büdder RATEN Villie leafs die Enstituten less anudder 'güt guy.' Off course Villie hates to leaf the school in vitch he learnen so much, like: Brudder Raten ist ein vun-vay streeten; Rauchen die cigarettes ist ein ugly habit; civilian clothesen can be grosse trouble; und dat ein 4-year fräulein ist die vun dat deserven die diploma.

Villie machen great commaraden uber hiss Zimmeraten sehr güit und room rit dem for die 4-years.

So vit hiss saber und hiss fräulein Villie vill attacken die world vit great gusto after graduation. Güit Luken Brudder Rat!



Jackson Durham Bareford
Tappahannock, Virginia

Jackson Durham Bareford
Biology, Artillery

Pvt., Sgt., Gymnastics, Intramural Gymnastics, 1st Class Auto Committee, Fire-fighters.

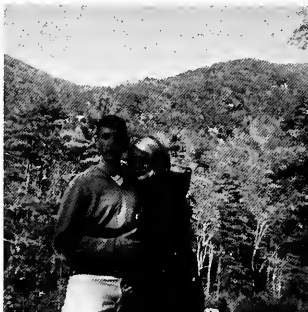
Jack is probably one of the best liked Brother Rats of the Class of '68.

His easy going personality has enabled him to weather many storms both here and at home. His trials with Cheryl and his battles with the Physics department have not stopped him.

He has never lost sight of the meaning of Brother Rat, and his desire to be of some help to his fellow man will most assuredly help him succeed in whatever field he may choose after graduation. So, four years, three summer sessions, and many girls later, "Smiling Jack" is still smiling! He deserves the best; and the Class of '68 wishes him the best of luck in the future.



Greg Lee



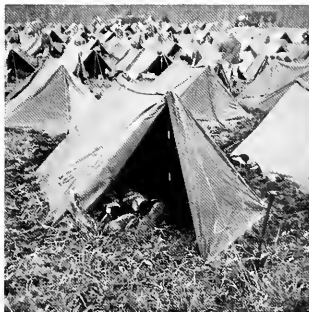
"Willie" Robertson



Jack Bareford



"Tic-Tac" Thacker



B. F. Wright



Vic Huang

Michael Charles Thacker
Civil Engineer, Infantry

Pvt., Football, Intramural Volleyball, ASCE, AFC.

Whenever there's a party, you'll find Whacker right in the middle of it. He makes his home in any ABC store which is convenient. At VMI he distinguished himself as captain of the Jim Beam Relay team which was made up of an all-star cast. Mike's love life has been quite dubious and it will probably remain so for many years to come. Mike has been a true friend in the past years, always ready to help anyone who needed it, especially with his pocketbook. Take it easy, buddy, and hold your temper.

Berry Franklin Wright, Jr.
Civil Engineering, Armor

Pvt., Intramural Football, Volleyball, Basketball, ASCE Vice President.

VMI did not know what it was letting itself in for when the "Ashland Flash" entered Jackson Arch. Through his warm and friendly personality, "Cheeks" won many friends and helped lighten the load of burdens we had to bear for four grueling years. From his intricate mental system, such phrases as "Mother Goose," "Made the team, but not the PX team," "Maintain squad cool," and "Handy-dandy double-decker dashboard . . ." spread through barracks. Berry's many triumphs in the Civil Engineering Department cannot be denied, for he applied himself to his work in a diligent manner. Whatever he may attempt, however, we feel sure Berry will succeed, and the Class of '68 wishes both him and Mary Franklin the best of luck.

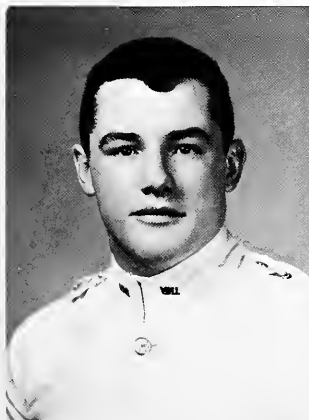
Victor Kuo-Liang Huang
Electrical Engineering, Air Force

Pvt., Soccer Club, Intramural Soccer, Volleyball, IEEE Chairman, Sigma Pi Sigma Cadet Staff, IRC Treasurer, V-P.

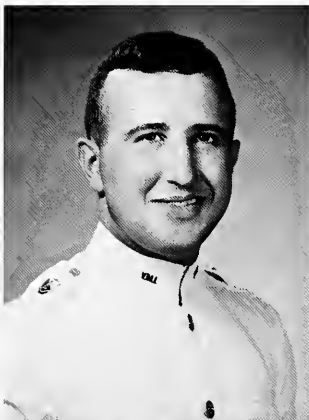
It didn't take Vic long to gain the respect and admiration of his Brother Rats and the faculty because of his honesty, sincerity, and intelligence. His ability to understand and sympathize with the problems faced by others is truly exceptional.

The "China Man" not only proved himself to be scholarly, but also adept in soccer. VMI Barracks is well acquainted with the "chink's" famous picture collection which verifies that he has a beautiful girl in every port.

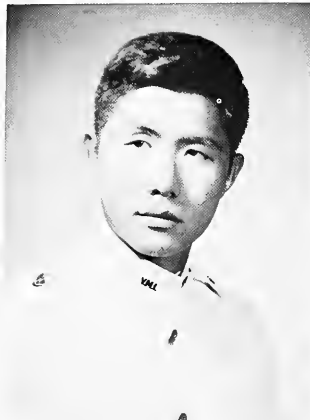
The Class of '68 will remember this dedicated Brother Rat because of his wonderful personality and versatility that will certainly bring him repeated success.



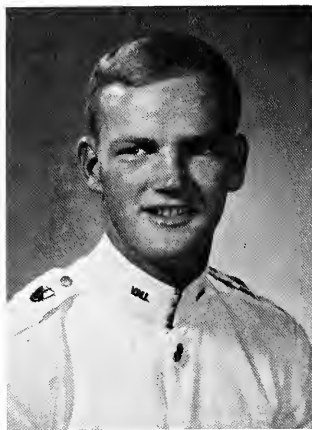
Michael Charles Thacker
Roanoke, Virginia



Berry Franklin Wright, Jr.
Ashland, Virginia



Victor Kuo-Liang Huang
Singapore



Curtis Wayne Beach
Salem, Virginia

Curtis Wayne Beach
Biology, Artillery

Pvt., Rat Cross Country, Basketball, FCA, Monogram Club.

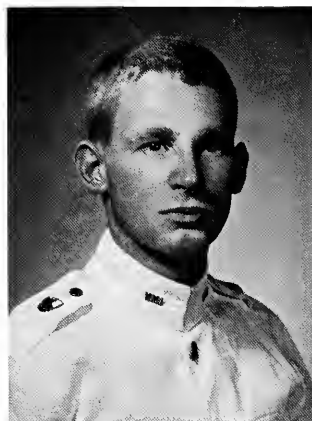
"Stand up when I talk to you trooper!" Good golly, Curtis, cold water and clean linen. How could we forget that shot from three rows back in the stands that burned the net at Wake Forest, or Kangaroo Curtis's two hand dunk. Jetting in for a date in Tampa or a weekend on the Jersey Shore were common for our boy. "Listen, baby, lets get this straight, don't try and get serious about me. Just a good time."

"Let's go to Roanoke," was your battle cry—all the way to the Sup's Office.

From the Basketball court to the dance floor of a Pine Room party, Curtis epitomizes the true Christian athlete! Your quiet concern and quick smile gained the respect of all who were lucky enough to call you our friend.



Curtis Beach



Paul Frederic Chamberlin
Falls Church, Virginia

Paul Frederic Chamberlin
History, Artillery

Pvt., DMS, Gymnastics Club, Manager, International Relation Club, Young Republicans Club, Bomb Staff.

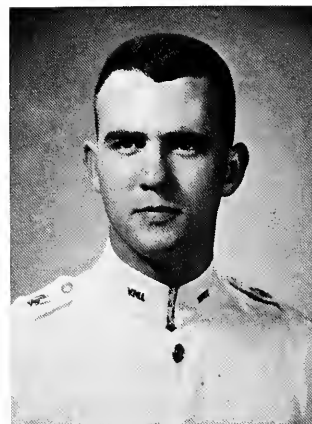
If there were ever instant doubts about a person, it would have had to be about the Weasel. Anyone would think twice about a man whose father is a minister, and whose mother works for the big brass in the Pentagon. If you once get beyond these potential mind-blowers, however, and venture to talk to Paul, you will discover a great mind—greater than his grades. He also has a definite set of goals, great ideals, and a sense of humor.

Paul's cadet life has been a combination of athletics, studies, an avid interest in the welfare and discipline of New Cadets, and frequent encounters with a certain young lady from Hollins College.

Although at this point Paul is undecided as to whether to pursue a career in the Artillery or to follow his natural bent as an equestrian, we are sure he will do well in whatever he finally decides. Gung-Ho, baby!



"PF" Chamberlin



Robert Saunders Steele, II
Chester, Virginia

Robert Saunders Steele, II
Civil Engineering, Artillery

Pvt., L.Cpl., Lt., RDC, Intramural Volleyball, ASCE, Chairman of Cadet Social Committee, Floor Committee.

"Chilrun, once der wuz a man call hisse'f Epamonodus an' he wa'n't fas' as motz. His Mammy an' Pappy put in da long hours at da big white man's place name o' Lopin' 'long Farms an' dey scaid up 'nough 'withall to sent Epamonondus off ta learnin' 'bout books an' whatall. He set to learnin' sa hawd dat dey 'nounced him academic'ly extinguished an' de ol' fo'ks 'ould enjot' so's ey'd set all night an' sing in da moonlight 'bout his praises an' 'complishments. Epamonondus wo'k so ha'd an' come so decaded dat he 'cided to continue right on th'ough de growin' seas'n come summe'. Ev'y nowanden he'd hav' to up an' make onto some recreationment an' he'd cou'n't de wimin. Now he ain' too fas' so's das awright but if de gal is eq'ly unfast an' de same speed, too, den de bofe an' two gits along fine. He can whup up some 'mazin' soun's wit' no rehussin' 'tall an' he studied at pigs an' sows 'nough to talk to 'em an' hav' his questions ans'd 'spectably, too."



Rob Steele

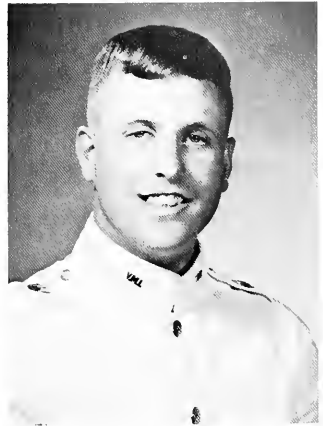
Robert Francis Yurachek
Chemistry, Artillery

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Capt. A. Co. Commander, DAS, DMS, Who's Who in Amer. Colleges, Honor Court V.P., Rat Basketball, ACS, Sigma Pi Sigma Pres., Timmins Society Pres., Chemical Rubber Company Award, Escort of 1967 Homecoming Queen.

Ole' Bob is just not what he appears to be. But there is one facet of his appearance which is correct, he can't keep his eyes open.

Bob is a man of many interests; his greatest, however, is people, for he can't resist a good conversation with anyone. He can be found every night after taps discussing coming parties, Institute crises, or someone else's problems; never his own. "Yucca's" an incorrigible egotist; yet you can't help loving him more for it. He is one of the few people who can poke fun at himself and still come out a winner.

Who else didn't make it to BRC once during cadre? He is the War Hawk of the Honor Court, and our favorite Tiger. May all your test tubes be filled with dexedrine and Ann.



Robert Francis Yurachek
Richmond, Virginia

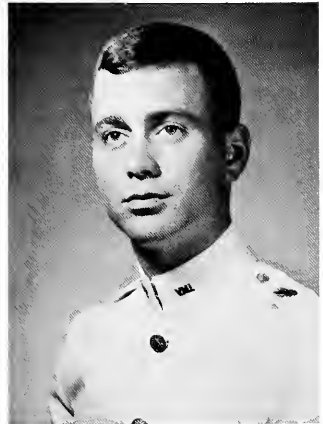
Richard Henry Wood
Biology, Air Force

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Lt., 1st Bn. Adj., DAFS, Intramural Volleyball, Weight Training, BSU, Social Chairman, Cmdt. Award, Glee Club Pres., Hop Committee V.P., Richmond Club, Bermuda Club, FIP.

Dick came to VMI from the John Marshall Cadet Corps in Richmond, and stepped into the system with very little trouble. After playing the game during first semester, he began to show his talents second semester as he joined the "Canary Club."

Third Class years seem to be dull at the Institute, but Dick's was not that way at all as he hit Bermuda during his Spring Furlough. After his Second Class year, summer camp provided Dick with the opportunity to show his real ability. His flight in a F-106 at camp intrigued him into the FIP program his First Class year.

Dick's future in the medical field should be a rewarding one. He leaves VMI behind, but VMI and his Brother Rats will long remember him.



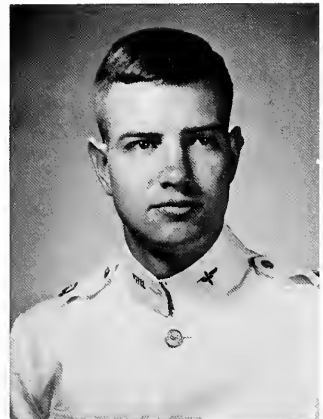
Richard Henry Wood
Richmond, Virginia

Alvin DuVal Sledd, Jr.
Civil Engineer, Air Force

Pvt., Sgt., Lt., Judo, Intramural Volleyball, ASCE, IRC, Political Science Society.

The "AD" left Richmond to become a member of Virginia's Corps of hermits. His cool attitude towards "Rats" and stripes has made life at the Institute a little more interesting for him. Although he was a conscientious student, he took every opportunity to rejoin the civilian ranks and take advantage of its pleasures. We will never forget the tales of Virginia Beach and his battles with the opposite sex.

No one has ever worked harder at VMI than Val. He has gained the respect of all his Brother Rats, and we know that there will be no holding him back.



Alvin DuVal Sledd, Jr.
Richmond, Virginia



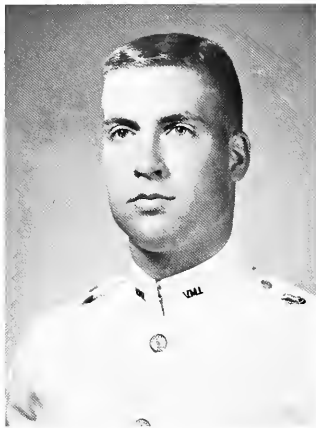
"Yucca" Yurachek



Dick Wood

"Val" Sledd





Graham Chandler Williams
Clarksville, Virginia

Graham Chandler Williams
Biology, Armor

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Capt., 1st Bn Commander, DMS, Intramural Volleyball, Football, Episcopal Chaplain's Committee, Religious Council, Fire Fighter, Commanders, Ring Figure Committee.

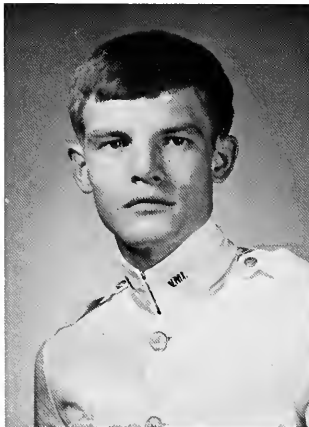
Straight from a place called Clarksville came a "plain old country folk" called G. C. Endowed with the VMI family tradition, he too, left contributions.

No sooner than after the Rat Line, Chandler started his way into the barracks business world. He was known as the "Barracks Jew" having his fingers in the finances of the entire Corps. Aside from other activities, he became known as a "Ranker." His personality combined with his "fog horn" voice made him First Battalion Commander.

Chandler's determination and outgoing personality leave a lasting impression. Whatever his future brings, beware, he's going to be remembered.



"Cree-bo" Kelley



Creigh Johnson Kelley
Westport, Connecticut

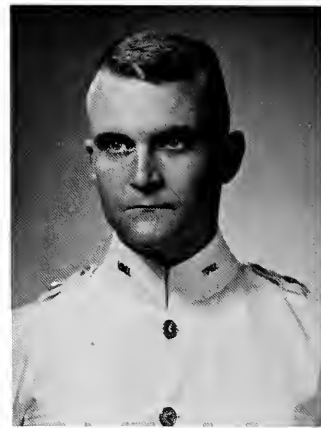
Creigh Johnson Kelley
English, Artillery

Pvt., DMS, Cross Country Co-Captain, Track Co-Captain, English Society, Bomb Circulation Staff, Monogram Club, Barber, Otis Redding Fan Club, Ring Committee.

His first name sets him apart, and rightly so, for he is a truly unique individual.

He is a flurry of flying hair whirling desperately around a track. He is a curious mixture of mild apathy and intense interest typified by his running, or as a fine-all-the-time soul brother at a mind-bending session (like the one at UNC, and the great ones he hosted in Richmond at his own Promised Land Part II).

He is a man who has the confidence and ability to live meaningfully. He is Creigh.



John Thomas Province
Falls Church, Virginia

John Thomas Province
History, Infantry

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Lt., Executive Committee, General Committee, RDC Chairman, Intramural Soccer, Boxing, Judo, English Society, Dean's List, Civil War Roundtable, Knights of Chastity, Armed Forces Club, "Conduct Prejudicial to the Good Order and Discipline of the Corps Award," Cobra.

The man whose mere cadetship has been "prejudicial to the good order and discipline of the Corps." Tom gave himself and his plastic face to his class and the Corps and to the Rats in whom they could not rejoice. (Thank You.) His ingrained sense of right and wrong, probably more wrong than right, sends him to W&L Law School with whom must be the most tolerant person in the world—Sue. She will learn that motherhood and apple pie are not necessarily good at all come August 1968. Lord only grant that he may wrong the civil rights of others.



Chandler Williams



"Littledrudick" Province



Mike Michelson

Michael Louis Michelson
Chemistry, Armor

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Intramural Basketball, Cross Country, ACS, Sec.-Treas., V.P., Wesley Foundation, AFC, Nub Club, Organic Popcorn Club, Rat Lab Instructor, BRSR Club.

And with Mike came Hank Williams, rest his soul.

Mike was a member of the infamous "13" or the Nub Club. He also participated in the organic popcorn parties held at Club Maury-Brooke.

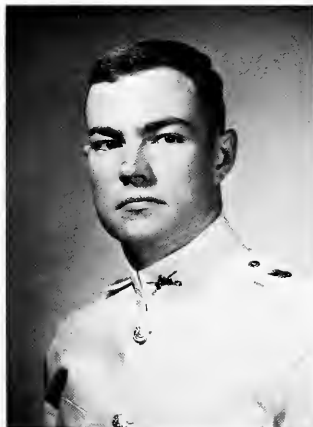
Ethanol has played a significant role in his cadetship. It helped him fall off a sink, and because of it on Founder's Day, the right hand wall of the Lyric Theater changed.

We'll always remember his adventure on the block in Baltimore over Christmas. This was so widely known that his name was inscribed on the last bar stool on the left in Gaiety Bar—lasting tribute to a fine Cadet and a great Brother Rat.

Leslie Poe Ridout, Jr.
Economics, Armor

Pvt., Lt., Gymnastics, Intramural Volleyball, Armed Forces Club, Monday Bowling League, V.P., First Class Auto Committee, Big Tube Committee, Magnificent Seven, Unfortunate Five.

Les's Rat year consisted of bothersome waiting periods between furlough and hop weekends and his dread of confinement during one of these periods resulted in a still clean record at the RDC, G.C., and Commandant's Office. His ambitions to be a Rat Daddy quickly fell by the wayside as many an erring freshman will testify. His devotion to privatedom gave way his First Class year to stripes and a saber. We wish the best in the future world with treadheads, but eventually in the world of finance to one of the Magnificent Seven and a man we are proud to call Brother Rat.



Leslie Poe Ridout, Jr.
Petersburg, Virginia



"Les" Ridout



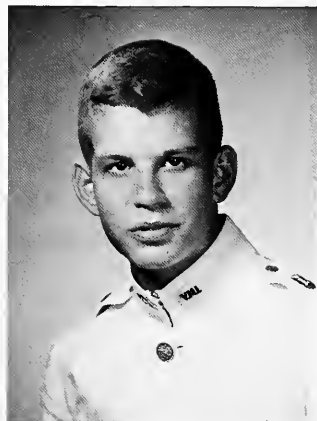
"Slick" Wilkinson

Richard Franklin Wilkinou, Jr.
Economics, Infantry

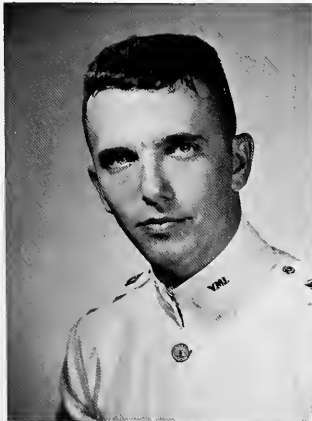
Pvt., Track, Intramural Volleyball, Water Polo, Cadet, Bomb, Sounding Brass-Mgr. Editor, Eng. Soc., Pioneer Investment Club, IRC, Pol. Science Soc., Lejune Hall Receptionist, Bermuda Club, Johnny's.

Then there was Slick, fresh off the ship from Japan. Slightly naive in mind, soul and body, he was convinced that VMI would mold him into the All-American that he knew lay inside. Midway through his Rat year, he was introduced to two truly influential friends, the hay monster and yes, booze. Moral corruption seemed inevitable.

As a dedicated L.A., Slick was mainly interested in literature and philosophy. Unfortunately he was forced to spend most of his cadetship fighting against the tyranny of the Economics Department. By nature overly romantic, four years of privations, have not dampened his enthusiasm for the "outside."



Richard Franklin Wilkinou, Jr.
Arlington, Virginia



Michael Louis Michelson
Aberdeen, Maryland



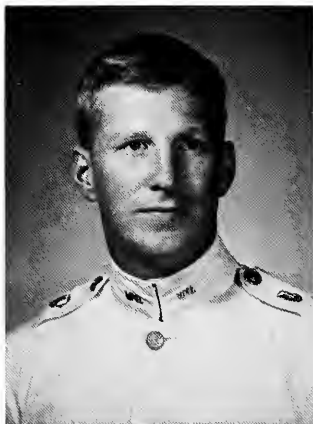
"Skip" Roberts

Kevin John Henry
History, Infantry

Pvt., Rat Football, Intramural Football, Basketball, Pioneer Investment Club, New-man Club, Hop and Floor Committee, Ghetto.

Devils in Baggies . . . Double Back Hog Growler . . . knew how to get in the hostile discotheque when he had to . . . Language lab was not worth it . . . got Dix into Harvard all by himself . . . been known to close up a D.C. bar or two . . . B.A. in back pocket, jumping off the tower at Benning . . . he wiped what on you, Honey? . . . he's a real mongater . . . Park cars much? . . . Wash Area . . . gotta have a gator . . . danced on the pipes at the Pine Room . . . got mono and disqualified 154 from a sure IGBL title . . . my boy can eat 50 eggs.

Well J.B., he's gettin' tired of the Ghetto . . . Ft. Benning's not such a bad place to live—muf. Take care of the old mongater, he's a good man and you're the main squeeze.



Henry Branch Johnson, III
Rockville, Maryland

George Hubert Roberts, Jr.
History, Air Force

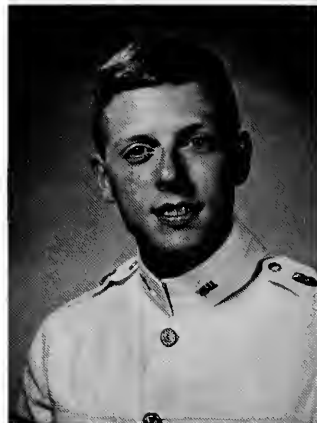
Pvt., L.Cpl., Cross Country, Indoor and Outdoor Track, Monogram Club, DAS, Who's Who in American Colleges.

Skip came to VMI apprehensively, but rapidly changed to a feeling of modified calm, and a thorough understanding of what he must do to succeed in life.

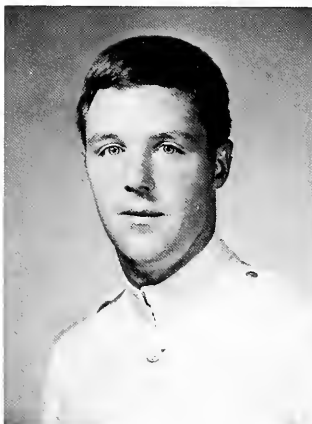
Kay's golden-haired Rat wasted little time establishing himself in the classroom as well as on the track.

Skip has never slackened his desire to do his best, whether winning records in track or by three years of wearing "stars" hampered only by a Scotsman's ingratitude.

Kay and Marshall can feel proud, in helping Skip become aggressive. We wish him and Kay much happiness and success in the future.



George Hubert Roberts, Jr.
Petersburg, Virginia



Kevin John Henry
Arlington, Virginia

Henry Branch Johnson, III
Electrical Engineering, Air Force

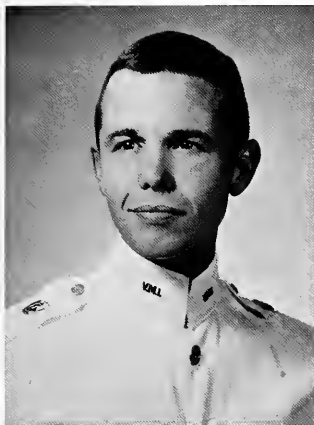
Pvt., Rat Indoor and Outdoor Track, Soccer, Intramural Football, Basketball, Glee Club, Northern, Va. Club Treas., Johnny's Lunch and Supper Club.



"Mongater" Henry



Hank Johnson



Arthur Finley Barfield
Norfolk, Virginia

Arthur Finley Barfield
Electrical Engineering, Air Force

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Lt., DMS, IEEE, Giant Killer, Mad B Society.

Bouncing through the arch in September of 1964 came "little Fin" in hot pursuit of the fairer sex. His sheepishly innocent little grin aided the hunter in his quest. And the chase went on.

In his Third Class year a certain brunette entered his life. A disagreement followed which was resolved later that summer at twilight on a sandlot. From that moment forth, the hunter became the hunted. And the chase went on.

His First Class year saw his membership in Club 17 threatened, and his stripes almost disappeared. As he now departs the Institute, the chase goes on. . . .



"Barf" Barfield



Steve Powers



Stephen Joseph Powers
McMurray, Pennsylvania

Stephen Joseph Powers
Civil Engineering, Artillery

Pvt., Who's Who in Amer. Colleges, Rat Basketball, Tennis, Varsity Basketball Co-Capt., ASCE, Basketball Scrapbook, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Monogram Club, South Carolina Delta Chapter, Ghetto.

Tarzanic Steve has seen a long four years here at the Institute, and many years from now he may wonder whether it was all worthwhile.

We will remember the steady influence your leadership and spirit gave to our Big Red team. Who can ever forget the last game Coach Lefty and Davidson played in the Lion's Den when "The Hoover" cleaned the boards for 28 big rebounds—a school record? I am sure that's in the SCRAPBOOK.

As much as basketball and his hay have meant to this M.O. Dog, only one person has been able to slow him down.

Well, Elayne, no more weekends at Grandma's.



"Heavy" Sebrén

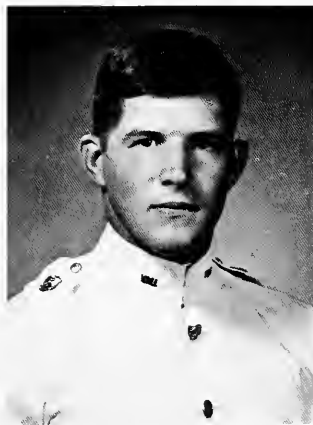
George Hall Sebrén
Economics, Air Force

Pvt., Supply Sgt., Class Committee, Wrestling, Track, Soccer Club, Intramural Football, Basketball, FIP, Representative for VASG, Religious Council, Tidewater Club, Ghetto, Great Blizzard of '67, Spirit of '68 Committee, Hop Escort, Tobacco and Harvest Bowl Escort, Magnificent Seven, Unfortunate Five.

Out of the sun and fun of the Norfolk Yacht and Country Club, ripping the girls off his back, hell-bent for a flying career, displaying smiling eyes, and apple cheeks, came Heavy.

A loyal supporter of athletics, Heavy was one of the main forces behind the Spirit of '68. His famous paint jobs will long be remembered by friend and foe alike.

When graduation finally comes, the stormy road will be over for one Brother Rat who will continue as a loyal and constant friend to all those with whom he has aligned himself.



George Hall Sebrén
Norfolk, Virginia

The First Class



Johnny Johnston



"Hercules" Wallach



"Skip" Harding

John Ardell Johnston History, Armor

Pvt., Wrestling, Track, AFC, IRC, Tidewater Club, Number One Club.

John is truly one of our class's unrecognized and outstanding individuals. For his artistic attempts to convey his displeasure with our shortened Christmas Furlough, he received four long months to reflect upon his methods. Johnny is particularly glad that those Pie-In-The-Sky Awards in the outside world aren't determined by who has the least demerits.

During our four years, J. A. has spent time on the wrestling mats and in the books. After graduation Johnny will devote his efforts to teaching accompanied by his faithful sidekick Blair. Best of everything to one of our most sincere Brother Rats.

Richard Simms Wallach Economics, Armor

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Lt., DMS, Swimming, Gymnastics, Tennis, Intramural Gymnastics, Volleyball, Cross Country Run, Sec. of Political Science Society, IRC, Executive Committee of YRC, Tanker Platoon, Rangers, AFC.

Dick has made two almost fatal mistakes since his appearance at the Institute: the first, nonchalantly strolling through Jackson Arch and immediately breaking out in tears of laughter, the other, not being quite so humorous, was a long four year struggle with the Colonel which was definitely "touch-and-go" for awhile. Being pretty much of a straight arrow did not keep Dick from "signing the sheet."

In all seriousness, there isn't much that this Brother Rat won't do to help a friend in a tight spot. A career in the Army is Dick's goal, but let it be known to all that there is no rank among Brother Rats.

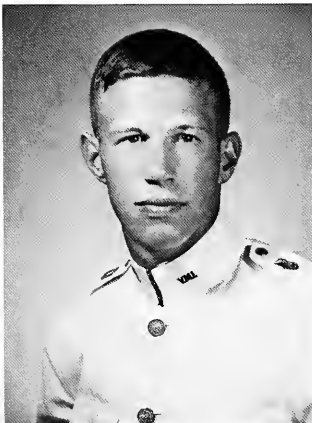
Alan Gibbs Harding Biology, Air Force

Pvt., Track, Varsity Baseball, Intramural Football, Basketball, YRC, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Monogram Club.

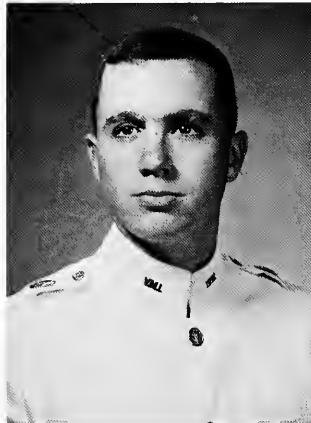
As a Rat, Skipper found out late that conspiracy against the Institute can be costly. Still he did invite Haley Mills to finals—she didn't make it.

As a third, Skip realized that Governors are not bad guys, and tape recorders can be fun. As a sophomore, Skipper started for the varsity nine and even obtained his own personal cheering section.

During his junior year, "the Kid" was plagued by an injury to Miss Jibo. He had to break a girl's arm to make her say "yes." During his Ring Figure, it appeared that the New York Yankees had lost out in the draft to Miami. However, he still managed to lead the Keydets in batting that year and to be elected captain of the team for his senior year.



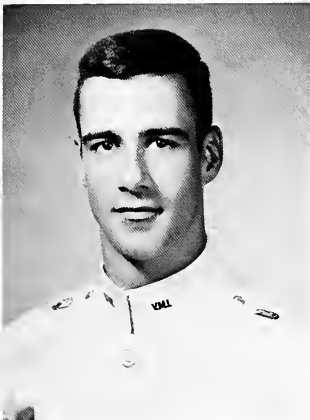
John Ardell Johnston
Norfolk, Virginia



Richard Simms Wallach
Warrenton, Virginia



Alan Gibbs Harding
Arlington, Virginia

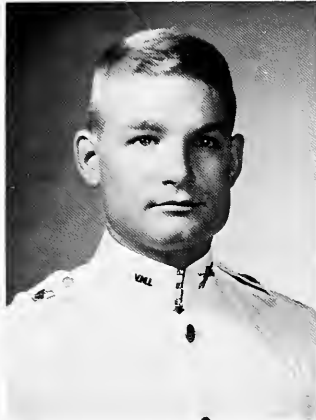


Thomas Stanley Jeffrey, III
Alexandria, Virginia

Thomas Stanley Jeffrey, III
History, Infantry

Pvt., L.Cpl., Cpl., Sgt., Rat Baseball, Intramural Volleyball, Basketball, Softball, Newman Club, Rangers, Club 412.

"Hey, Tom wake up!" That has a somewhat familiar ring to it. But to really characterize Tom Jeffrey, let it be forthwith known that nobody has ever waited until the last second to begin planning the accomplishment of an overwhelming task and then pulled off the maneuver with such finesse as Tom has; nobody else could be that lucky. But then, who is the only Brother Rat to have been a Lance Corporal, Corporal, Sergeant, and Cadet Captain(?)? Answer that question, Tom. Wake up! Tom! Zzzzz!!! That has a familiar ring.



Robert Warren Sagnette, Jr.
Roanoke, Virginia

Robert Warren Sagnette, Jr.
Biology, Armor

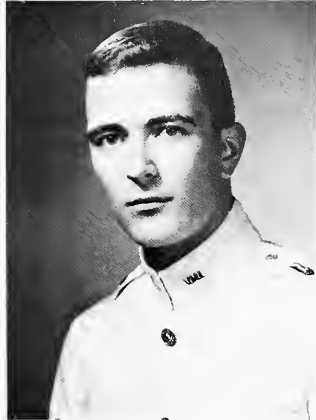
Pvt., L.Cpl., Gymnastics-Co-Captain, Track, Intramural Gymnastics, Cross Country, ASCE, Newman Club, Richmond Club, Roanoke Club, First Rat Sentinel, Cadet Coach-P.E. Dept., Number Three Club, Rack Lab.

Sag is a bright young treadhead who made only one big mistake according to him—coming here. But for us, his Brother Rats, we feel he was a great guy to share our Freshman year with.

Sag took an immediate interest in Gymnastics, but not wanting to be set in his ways he added confinement, FCD, Australia, and flying saucers in his First Class Year.

A fine biologist and a hard worker he may someday get all the bugs out of Army tanks.

Bob will certainly go far; may all your Martian friends be peaceful.



William Waller Cloyd
Lynchburg, Virginia

William Waller Cloyd
English, Infantry

Pvt., Intramural Cross-Country, Soccer, Gymnastics, Westminster Fellowship, IRC, AFC, Scuba Club, Scouter's Club, Bridge Club, Cadet Staff.

Clod came into the arch determined to be a success at VML. He has developed his academic inclinations to such an extent—courtesy Lynchburg College campus—that he has resided in Lexington for the last 3 summers. As the ideal LA, he has succeeded in the finer arts: bridge, pool, secretary chasing, PXology, car racing and Big Tube testing. In the perfection of these important aspects of a Cadet's life, "Clod" has been rewarded by AP. A smashed MG grill is tucked neatly beneath his bed. The only field left for Ole Will to master is Spanish 102 or Sp. 612.



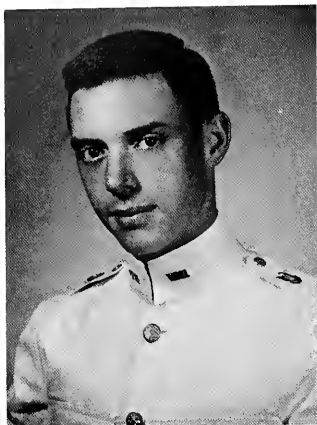
Tom Jeffrey



"Sag" Sagnette



"Clod" Cloyd



John Cooper Lane
Franklin Lakes, New Jersey

John Cooper Lane
Mathematics, Air Force

Pvt., L.Cpl., Sgt., Lt., DAFS, Intramural Volleyball, Softball, Debate Society, Armed Forces Club, Radio Club, Concert Band.

After a relatively uneventful Rat Year "Joisey" recorded some interesting incidents at the Institute. For instance, he blew his first chance for a semester break by picking up his sixteenth demerit on the last day of the demerit period. His second class year, John found out just before Ring Figure that his date "won't be coming." This year he was boned by his own tac for "requiring an unauthorized check formation," something he didn't do. John straightened that out just in time to take a week-end, from which he returned three hours and seven minutes late.

Seriously, as John prepares to leave VMI, he knows that he leaves with high rank, good grades, and a wonderful girl.



John Lane

Archer Lee Richardson, III
Physics, Infantry

Pvt., Supply Sgt., Distinguished Military Student, Coach of Rat Swimming Team, Handball, Volleyball, Cross Country, American Institute of Physics, Westminster Fellowship, Aquatics Club, Paper Airplane Club.

The rat year for Archer was not as difficult in some ways as it was for others because of his good high school background. As an upperclassman, he ran into a few academic problems and changed majors from Math to Physics. Brother Rat "red-head" tried to save his brother from West Point, but failed miserably.

Socially, Archer has grown increasingly successful, but is still unattached. Few people will ever forget his sincerity to his Brother Rats. With such worthy devotion to his Brother Rats and personal characteristics, Archer should no doubt be successful in whatever he undertakes.



Archer Lee Richardson, III
Richmond, Virginia

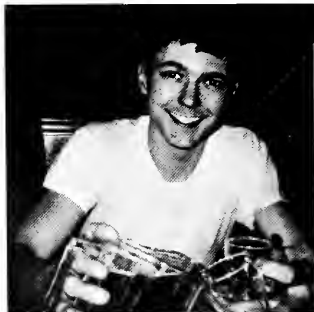


"The Sly Red Fox" Richardson, III

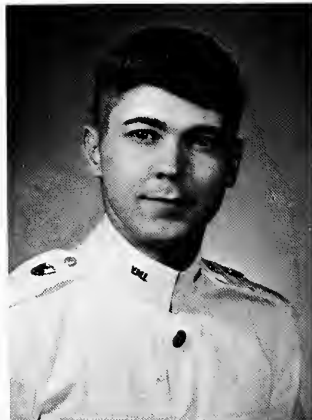
Jackson Montgomery Andrews, IV
History, Armor

Pvt., Rat Track, Varsity Tennis, Intramural Basketball, Volleyball, Cadet Staff, "Concept," Hop and Floor Committee, Bermuda Club, P.T.s, "Fugitive."

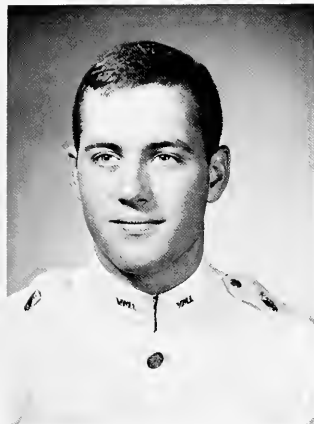
We have spent many hours trying to phrase Jack in this little space. The task has proven difficult since he is not an ordinary person. Jack has spent much of his time here at the Institute putting our gripes and feelings into words, in doing so he has helped unify us all. If just for this alone, his influence on the Class has been considerable. But that's not all. "Jacky" is one of the few people who has the quality of standing up for what he really believes (right or wrong). His astute observations about the Institute have touched the conscience of cadets and alumni alike. Wherever he turns up, he brings with him a certain zest which brightens up everything. Whether at column writing or tennis playing or party making or love making, Jack adds a little something extra. Wherever he goes, there will be something extra.



"Concept" Andrews



Jackson Montgomery Andrews, IV
Louisville, Kentucky

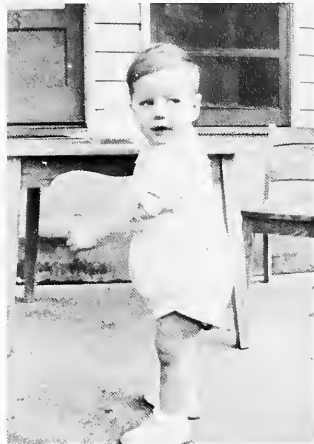


Frank Dixon McElwee, Jr.
Centreville, Mississippi

Frank Dixon McElwee, Jr.
Mathematics, Air Force

L.Cpl., St., Lt., DAS Honor Court, Rat Cross Country, Golf, Varsity Golf, Intramural Basketball, ACS, FIP, Monogram Club, Ghetto, South Carolina Delta Gator Club, Brookside Discotheque.

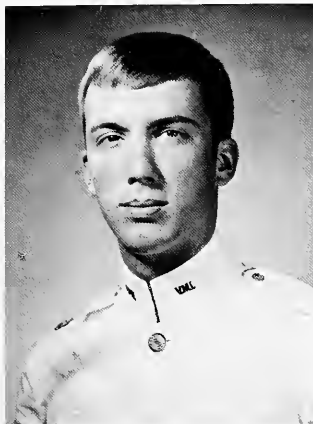
Dix is the smoothest, calmest, and most serene individual ever to press up the hill of science. F.E.I., McElwee was the only man in the ghetto with a spit shine rag. Golfer-extrordinaire, ol' Dix, was at home on the Cascades, but found Lexington bearable! Never one to trust a Mormon, Dix uncovered greener pastures. He even got one Duke goat. Always a zip, zap, zoomie. Frank may be the first to have a gien plaid flight suit. Say, do they make planes with four-on-the-floor? Sash, saber, stripes, and you didn't even send us up. Boss, you were too good to us (and good for us). He's a quiet man, but he's quite a man!



"Dixie" McElwee



Rick Butterworth



Richard Arthur Butterworth
Duxbury, Massachusetts

Richard Arthur Butterworth
Mathematics, Air Force

Pvt., Rat Cross Country, Indoor Track, Swimming, Intramural Volleyball, Basketball, Timmins Society, Firefighting, Emblem Committee, Yankee Club.

After entering VMI, Rick soon discovered that he did not exactly agree with the philosophy of VMI. The result was that his hair began to grow long, and he began to study for a degree in Barracks law. He easily maintained a B average. In his spare time, he worked as a professional tutor, philosopher, and match-maker. When he wasn't attending class, the PX, or helping someone, there could be seen the effects of a dread disease which plagued him throughout his cadetship "Hay" fever.

We know Rick will go far after leaving VMI, but hopefully not in the Air Force.

ML Buchanan, Jr.
History, USMC

Pvt., Sgt., 1st Sgt., Rat Swimming, Gymnastics, Wednesday-Saturday Afternoon Gun and Hiking Club, Rat Typist Bomb, AFC, Orgies Anon.

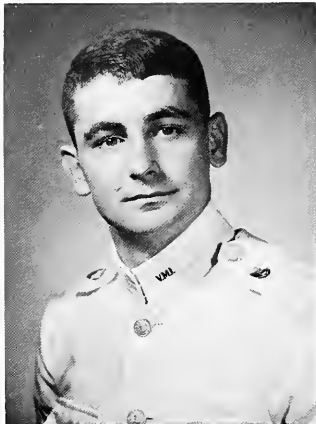
From a military school to VMI came a determined (though worried and confused) ML Buchanan. Like most cadets, two men view the world from beneath the visor of his garrison cap. One is the man eager to do his best to succeed at what he considers important, and the other who is always willing to set aside his immediate worries, and do his best for his Brother Rats. The Marine Corps will gain a good man who has been a good Brother Rat. Good luck, ML, in all that you come across.



"Sweetlips" Buchanan



ML Buchanan, Jr.
Concord, North Carolina



Lewis Richard White
Suffolk, Virginia

Lewis Richard White
Civil Engineering, Artillery

Pvt., RDC, Rat Football, Track, Swimming, Intramural Football, Softball, ASCE, Monogram Club.

Recruited as one of Chuck McGinnis' wonders, his first exposure to VMI was from the inside of a Cadillac. Then he met a someone . . . from Christ Church was she. Had a rookie named Cotton and slept with a lug of beer. His second class year, Lewis became a teeny bopper, became a Captain. Kept Cowardin from running away from school.

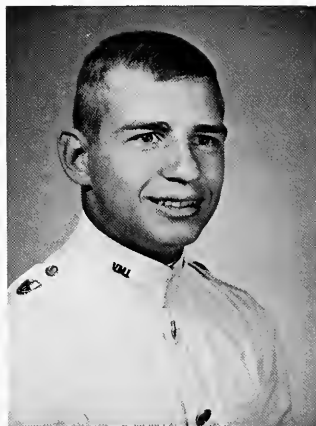
Perhaps Lewis' versatility can best be shown by his dubious election to the RDC and achievement of Dean's List in January. Study much, Kempo?

Clew cries briefly during the fall, leaves, suddenly . . . guess who is lurking in the shadows?

The First Class



"Fox" White



Joseph Walter LeVine
Alexandria, Virginia

Joseph Walter LeVine
Chemistry, Air Force

Pvt., Gymnastics, Wrestling, Monogram Club, Intramural Football, Volleyball, Cross Country, Soccer, Softball, ACS, Cadet Staff Wesley Foundation, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Scuba Club, Young Republicans Club, Nub Club, Scouter Club, Armed Forces Club, Bridge Club.

The Heeb's very beginning at VMI indicated how his cadetship would run. After missing the entire cadre period, he soon found himself the recipient of some extra attention in order to make up for all the character building he had missed.

His Third Class year, having Physics and Calculus on the same day, a very tragic thing happened and he ended up a permanent member of the summer school gang.

Heeb's Second Class year was full of events worth noting. It was also during this year that Joe decided he liked this place enough to come back for a fifth year.

The First Class year brought with it good grades and good times. Now, as the First Class year draws to a close, he can look forward to another year at his favorite place.



"Heeb" LeVine



THE SECOND CLASS

Frank B. Easterly
President

As we stand on the threshold of our final year at VMI, looking forward to the coming events, we feel a sense of great expectation, but this is also a time to pause and reflect on what has passed before.

We all returned for our second class year after a free, swinging summer. For some the summer was shortened by the return for early football or for cadre, but we all returned. For most of us, the re-adjustment was not as harsh as the previous year, but certainly for all of us the biggest difference was that this year we had something genuinely exciting to look forward to—our Ring Figure.

We were soon caught up in the whirl of academics, military duties, pep rallies, and the excitement which is generated by the opening of any football season. With the approach of November, we all began to work at a feverish pitch as the days flew by in a myriad of dances, Pine Room parties, questionnaires, invitations, and all the last minute preparations for our Ring Figure.

The upset over the Hokies on Thanksgiving Day set the stage for one of the most unforgettable weekends of our cadetship. The outcome of the game blended perfectly with the festive atmosphere of the Roanoke party and the dignity of our rings vividly symbolized the unity and spirit of our class. For each of us it was a mark of personal achievement.

It has been said that the second class year is one of preparation for leadership. We are no exceptions to this fact. This year has seen our class mature, and the petty problems of the third class year have become insignificant in that we have come to view our academic, military, and social standing with greater understanding and interest. The desire to lead the Corps effectively next year has been initiated, and we have been fundamentally prepared for this task. After our summer camp, we will return to make our final year at the Institute the biggest and best year possible.



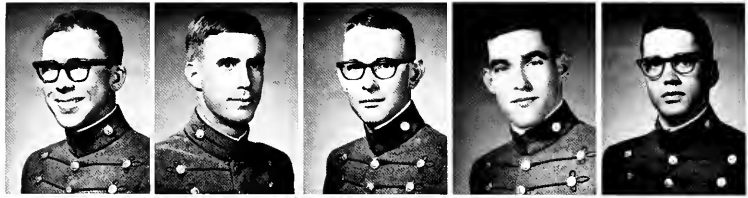
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Vice President



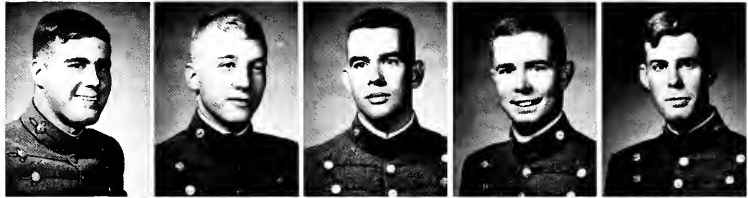
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Historian

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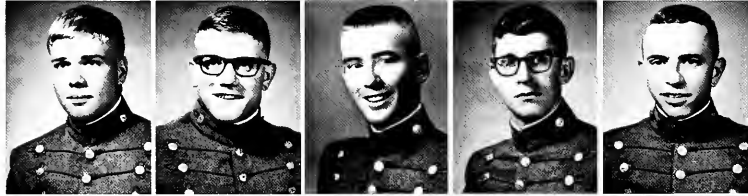
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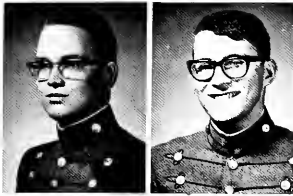


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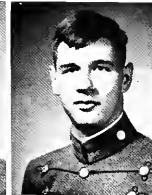
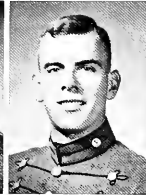


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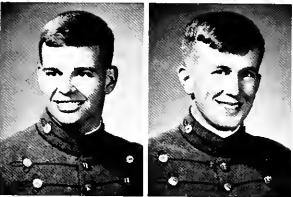




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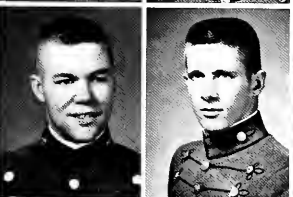
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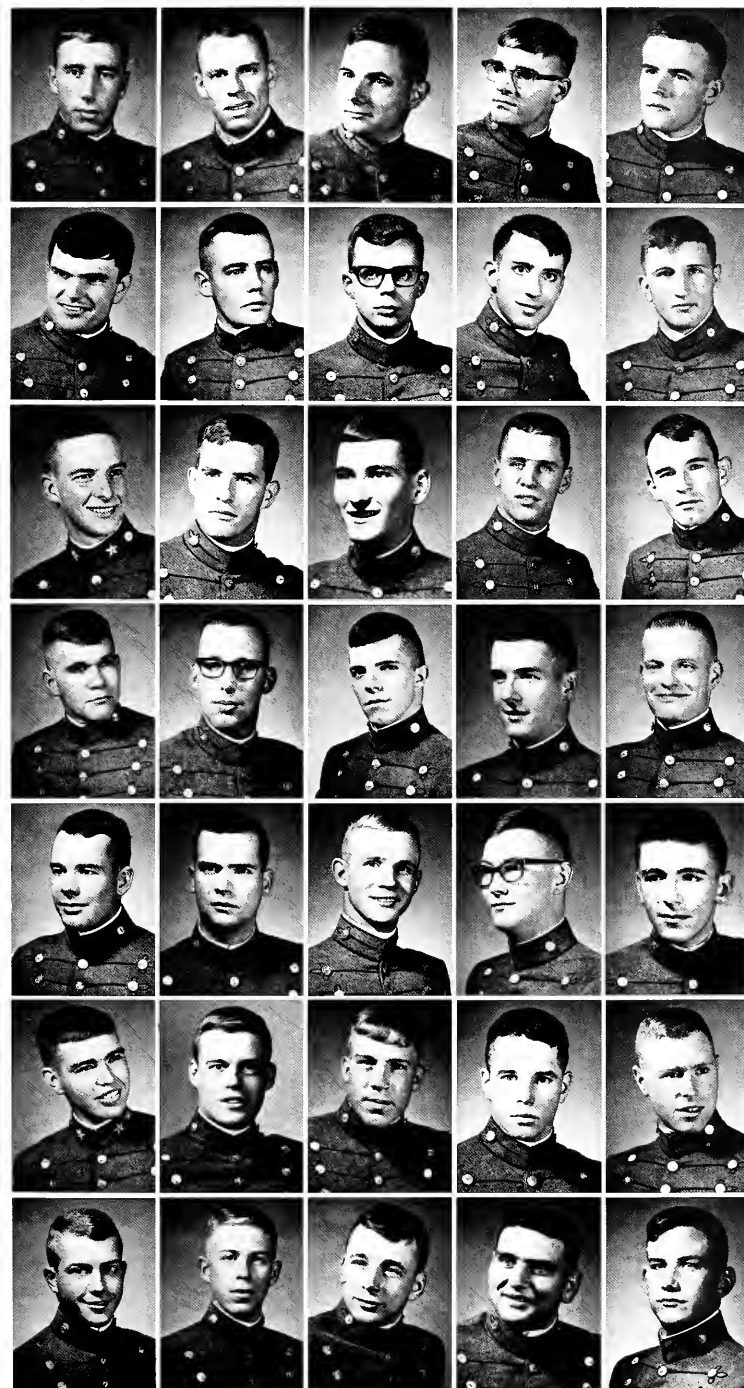


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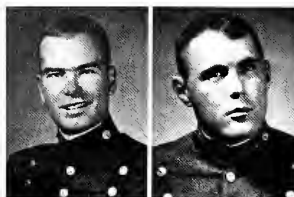
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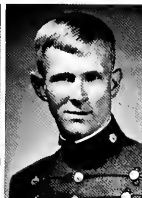


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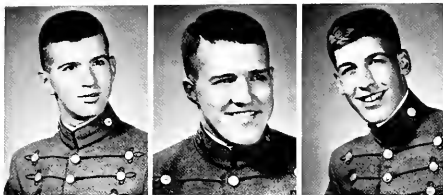


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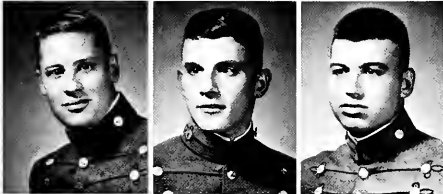




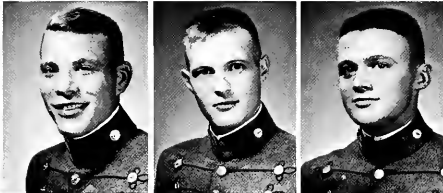
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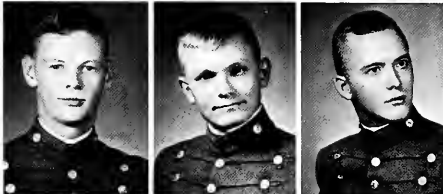
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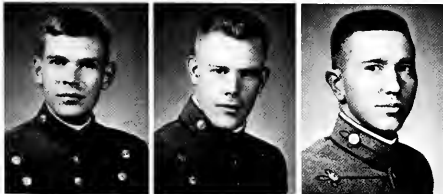
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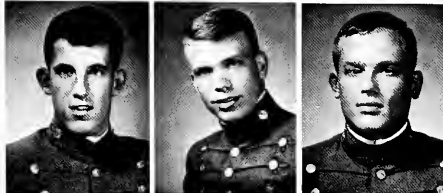
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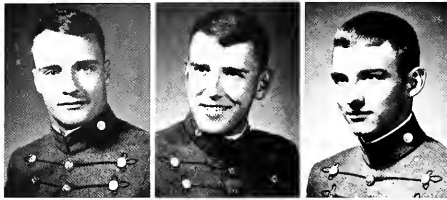


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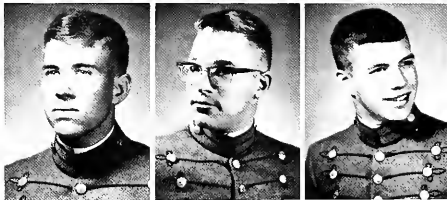




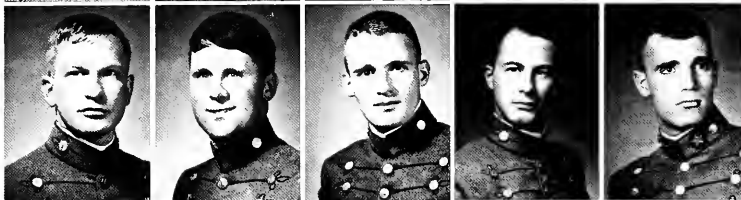
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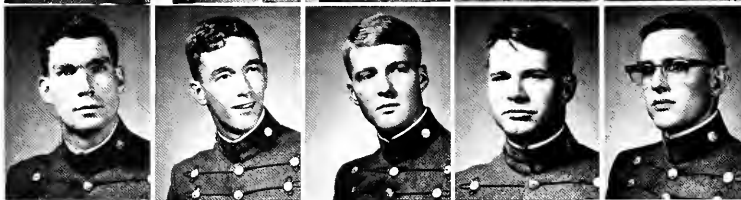
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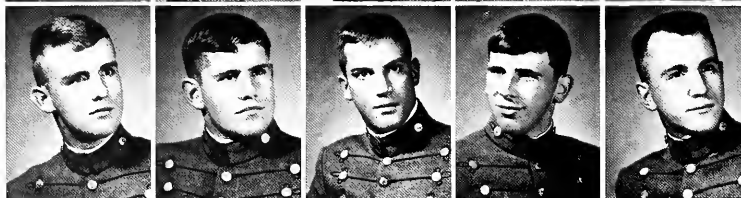
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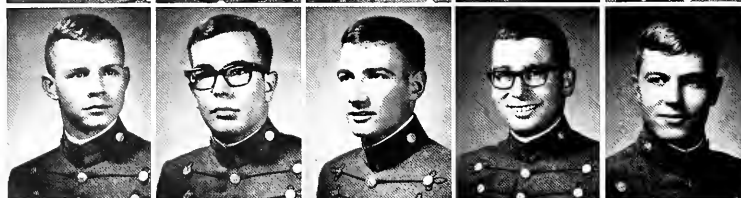
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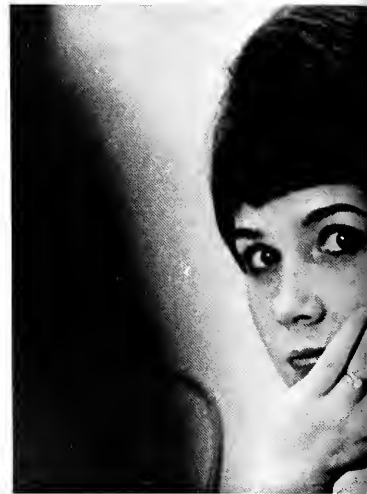
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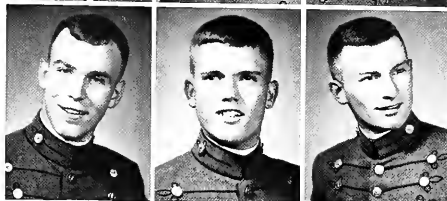




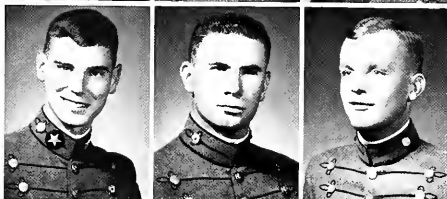
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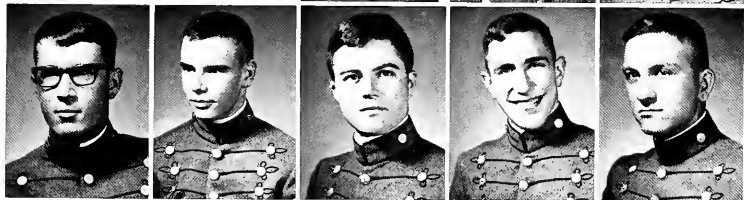
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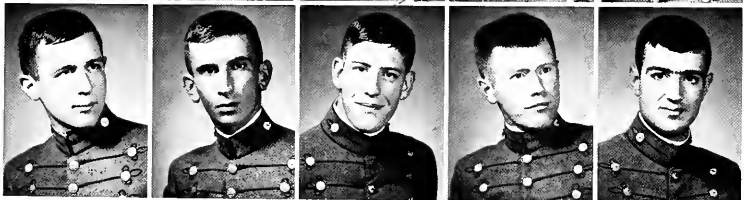
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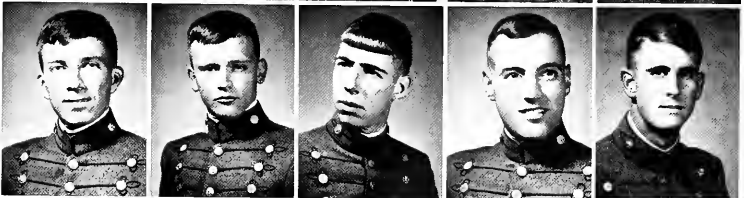
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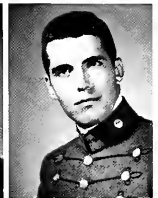
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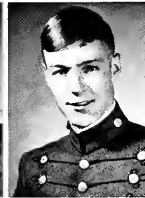
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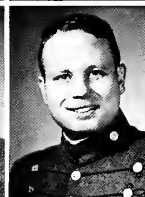
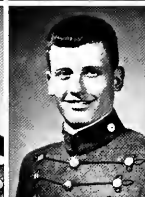
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THE THIRD CLASS



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The Third class year at VMI is a transition period between Rat and Old Cadet, and often not a very enviable position. No longer was every day a new experience; the cycle of classes and inspections had become routine. In spite of our few precious privileges and the freedoms that come with being an upperclassman, increased academics and responsibilities bore down upon us and we painfully learned the truth in the definition of a third—a Rat with a radio.



Roland H. Vaughan
Historian

To transform our class into a unified body capable of facing the problems we must face throughout the rest of our cadetship, class meetings were held regularly and committees were formed from representatives of each company. As we faced each problem and as the opinions of all were heard, we eventually saw our class being drawn closer together. No longer did phrases such as "class unity" and "class spirit" seem abstract and meaningless.

After the Tech game, we turned our efforts to the monumental task of planning for our own Ring Figure. As the pace accelerated, a financial committee was elected and began raising funds by sponsoring the traditional hop-weekend parties. By Spring, plans for our Ring Figure began to materialize.

As Finals approached, we had few regrets that our hardest year was nearly over, and we looked forward to coming back with one more stripe, a few more privileges, and our rings.





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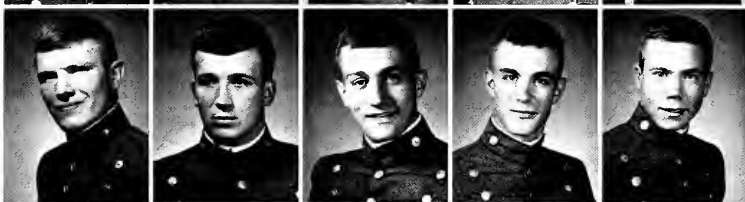
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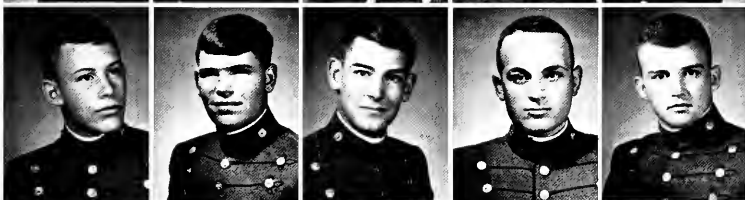
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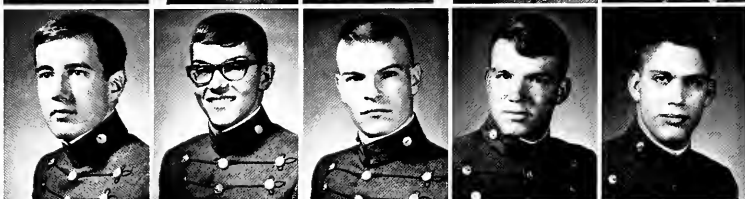
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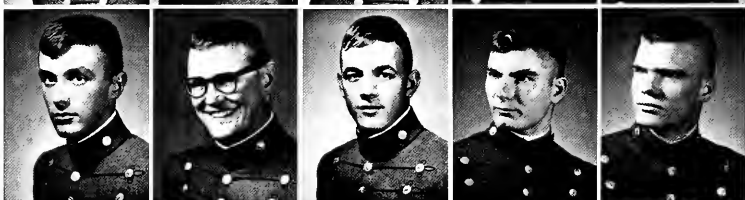
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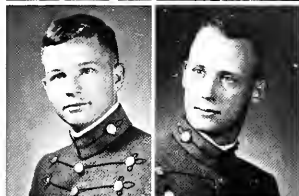
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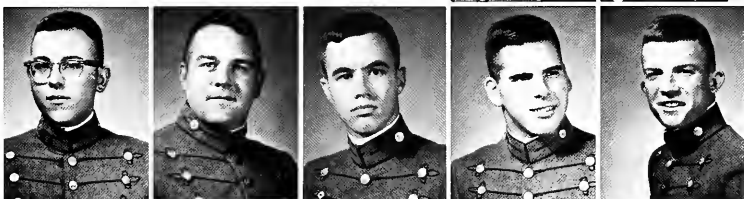


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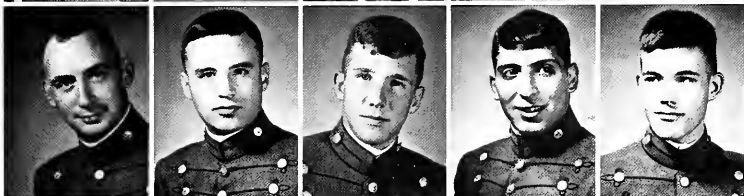


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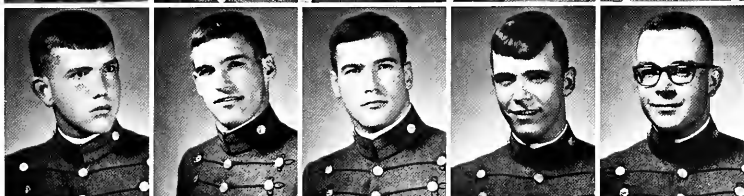
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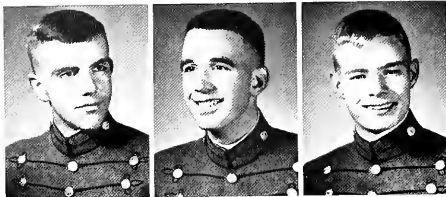


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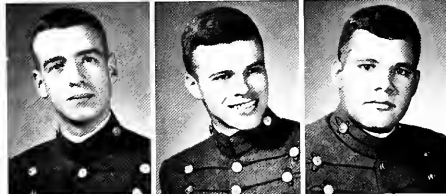


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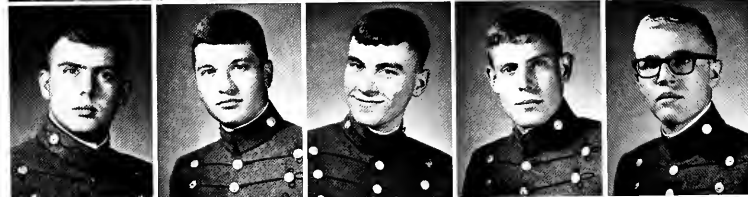




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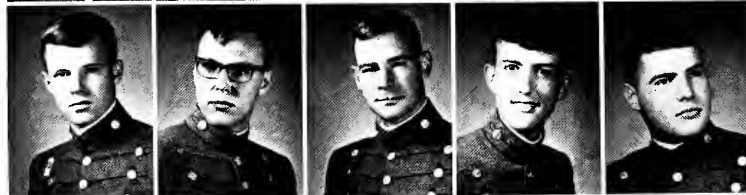


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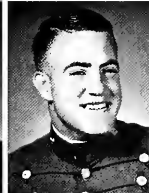


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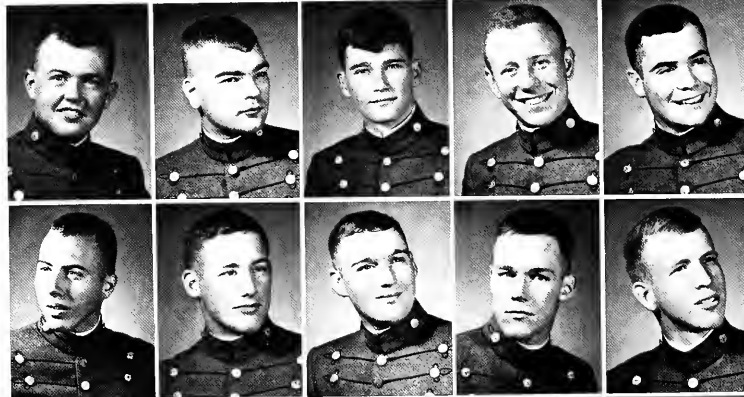
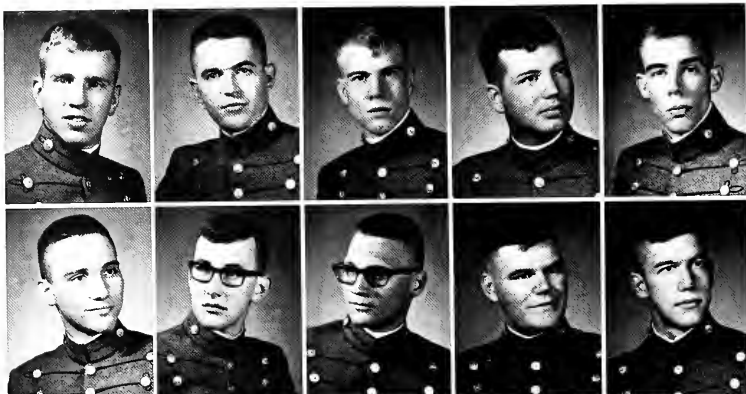


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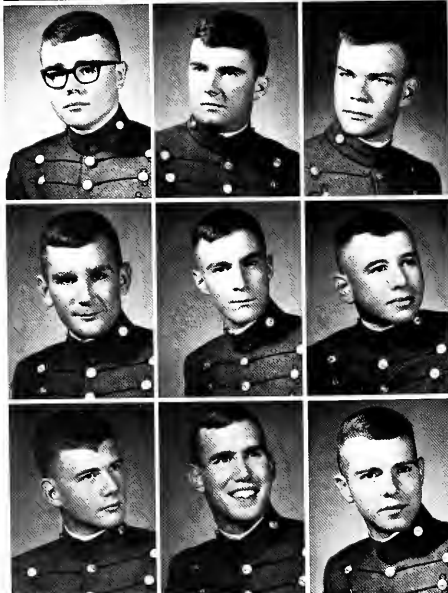
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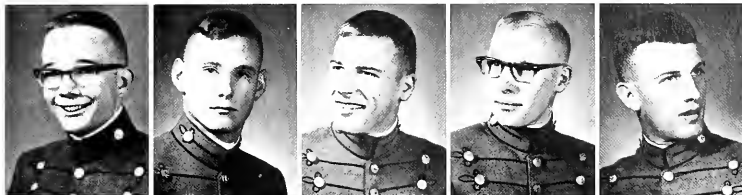
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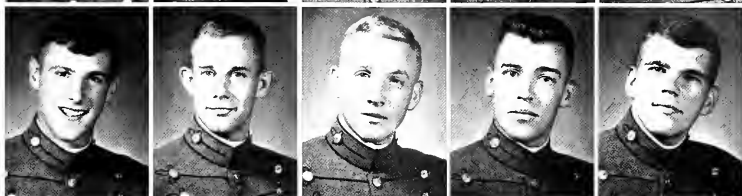
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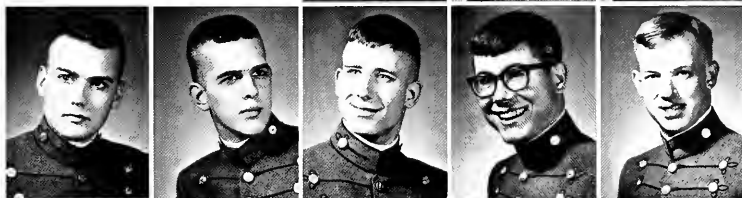
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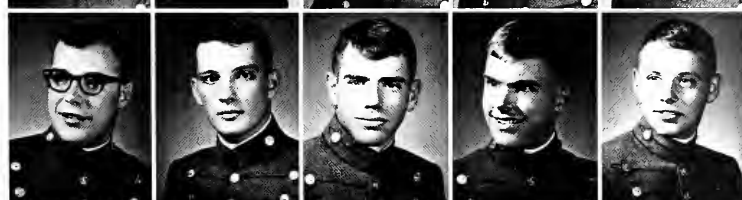
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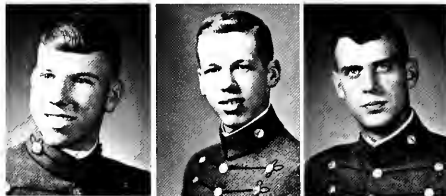


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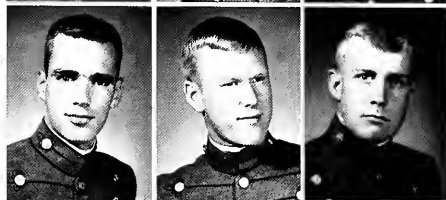




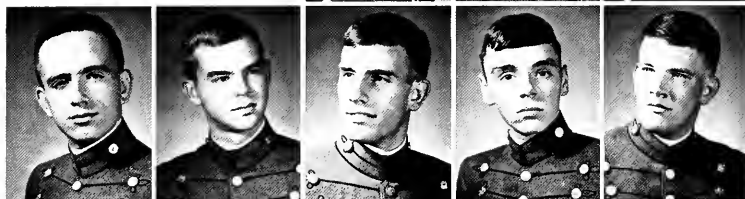
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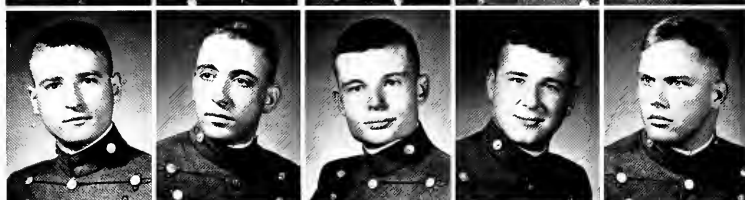
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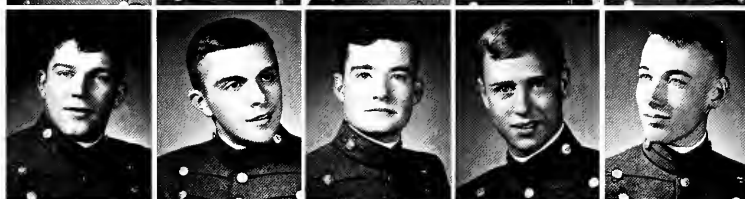
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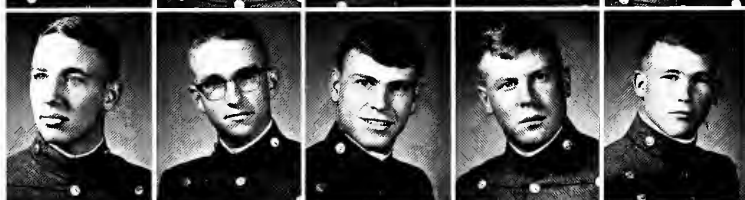
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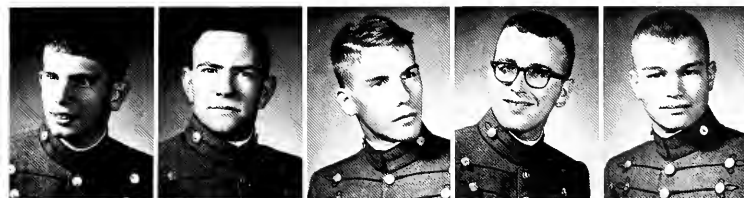


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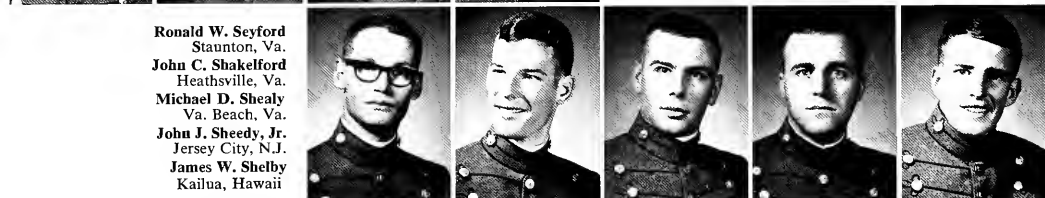




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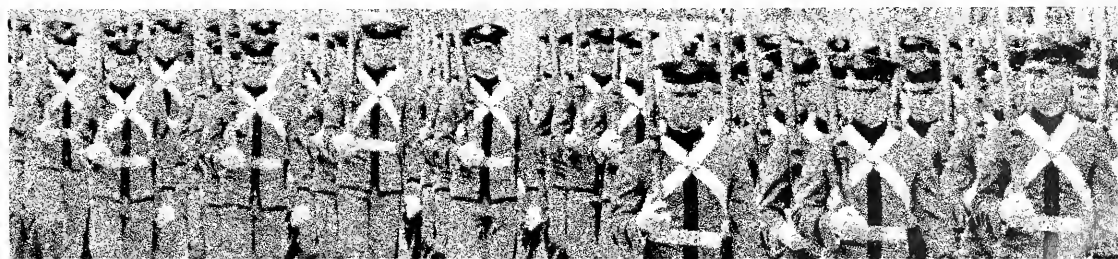
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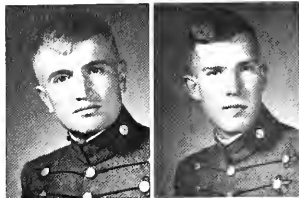
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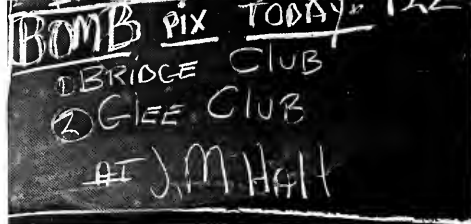
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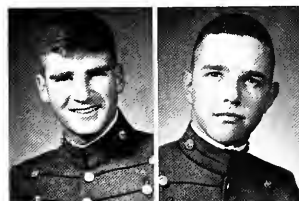
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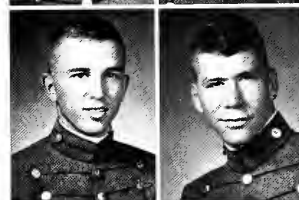
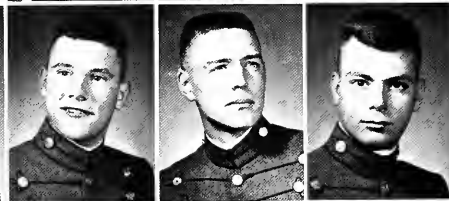


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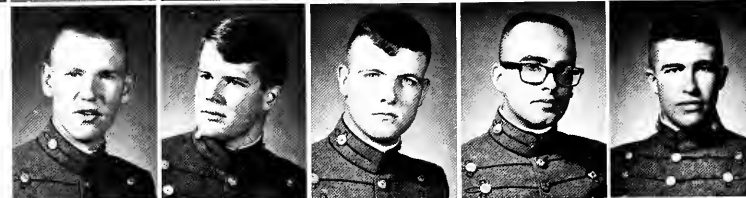
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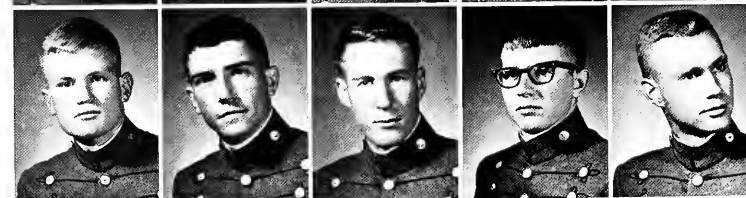
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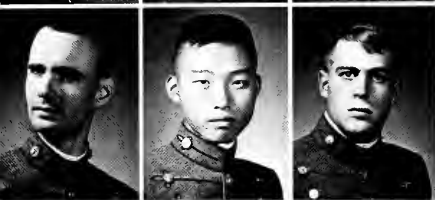
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THE FOURTH CLASS

Once upon a time there did reside in a famous Virginia valley three hundred and seventy-four bald and shaking young men, fresh from the comforts of home, Mother, and the security of the masses. No longer could they rely upon the reputations built during a high school career, wear the clothes that everyone else liked, or take their latest girl to those parties that helped the summer pass so quickly. Cast off by parents and family, denuded of all marks of individuality, and confronted by the holocaust which was Cadre, their lives had been stopped in mid-stream. Who was to say how they would start again or in which direction they would go if they did go at all?

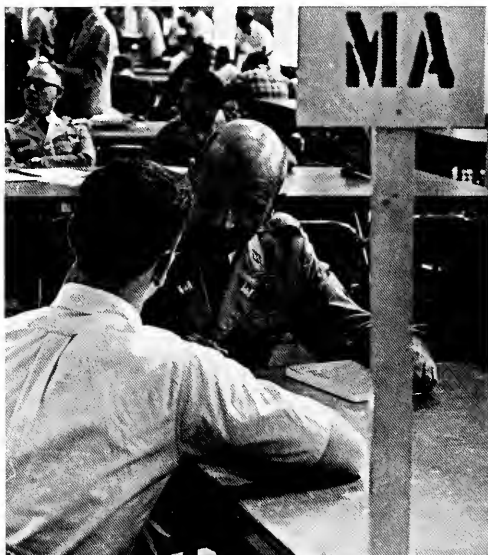


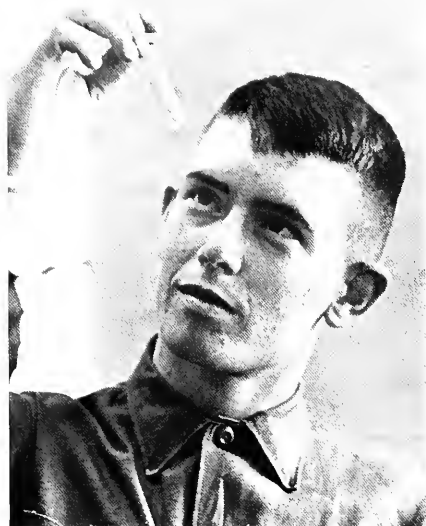
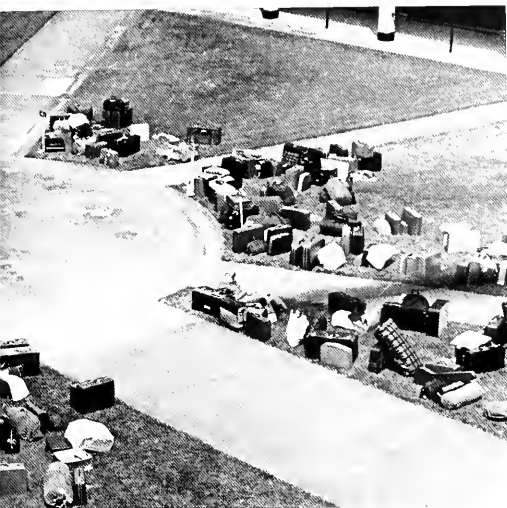


Placed in a world totally foreign to them, their senses were as yet unable to guide them. These men were slowly coming to understand that they were Rats. And this term was to be taken literally.



Three hundred and seventy-four, but their numbers were to decrease rapidly. All were alike in looks, thoughts, and actions. This was as it should be, as herein was the answer—the key to the process that is the first year at VMI. Stripped of individuality, they now had to struggle to succeed in a field of equality. This was what it was all about. Recognition and reward, however, awaited those who could adapt to the system, rediscover their sense of values, and put their various talents to use.





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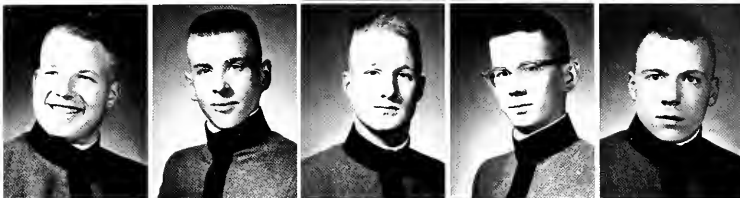
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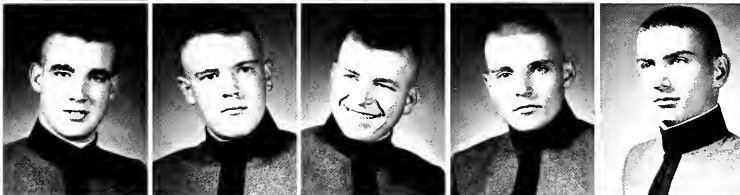
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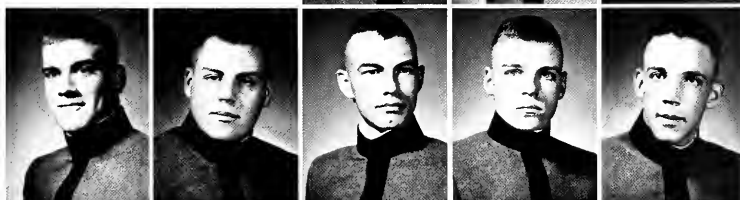


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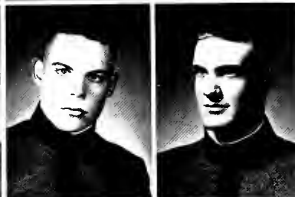
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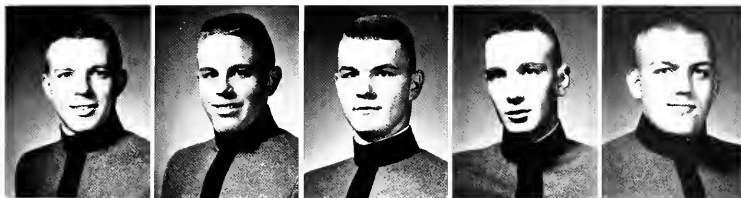


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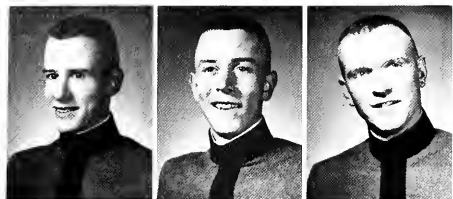


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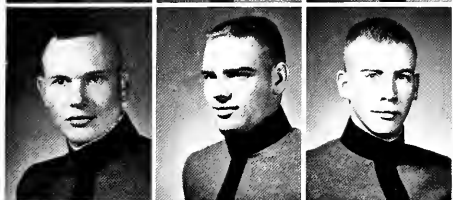


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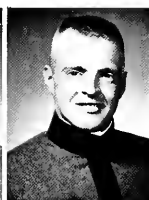




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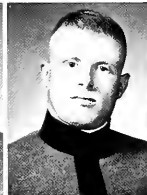
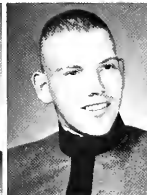
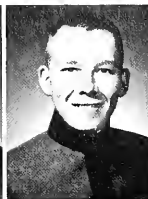
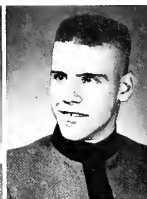
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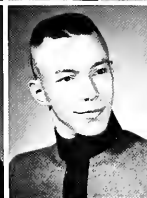


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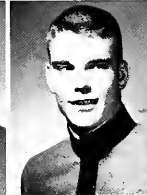
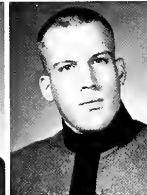


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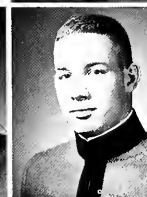
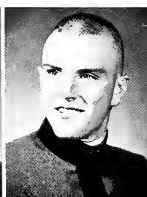
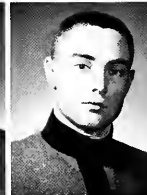


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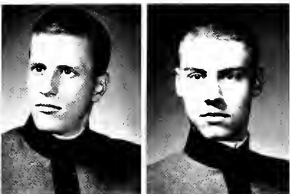
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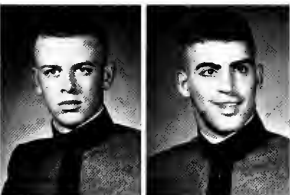


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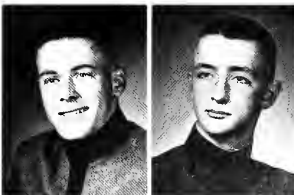


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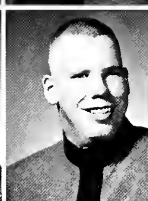
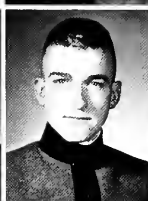


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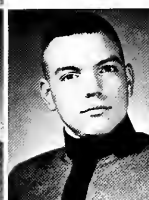


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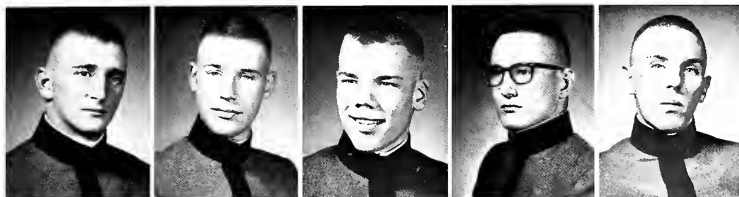
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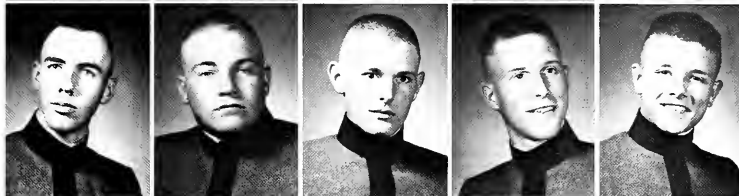


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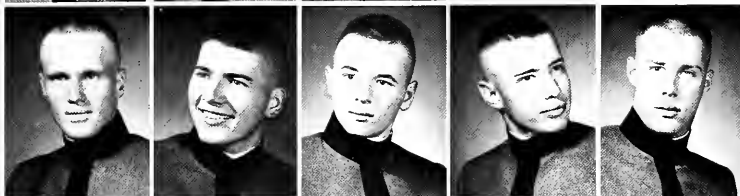


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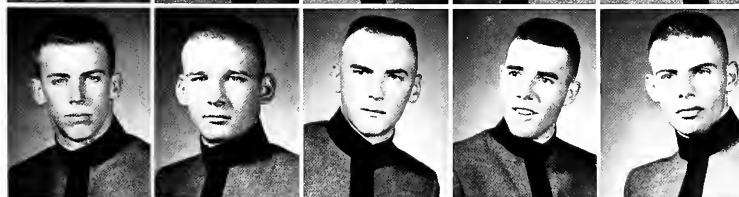


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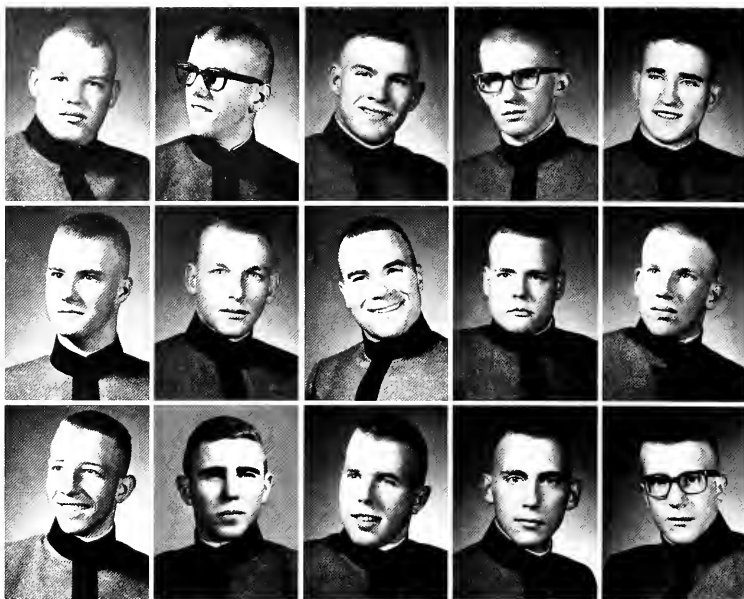
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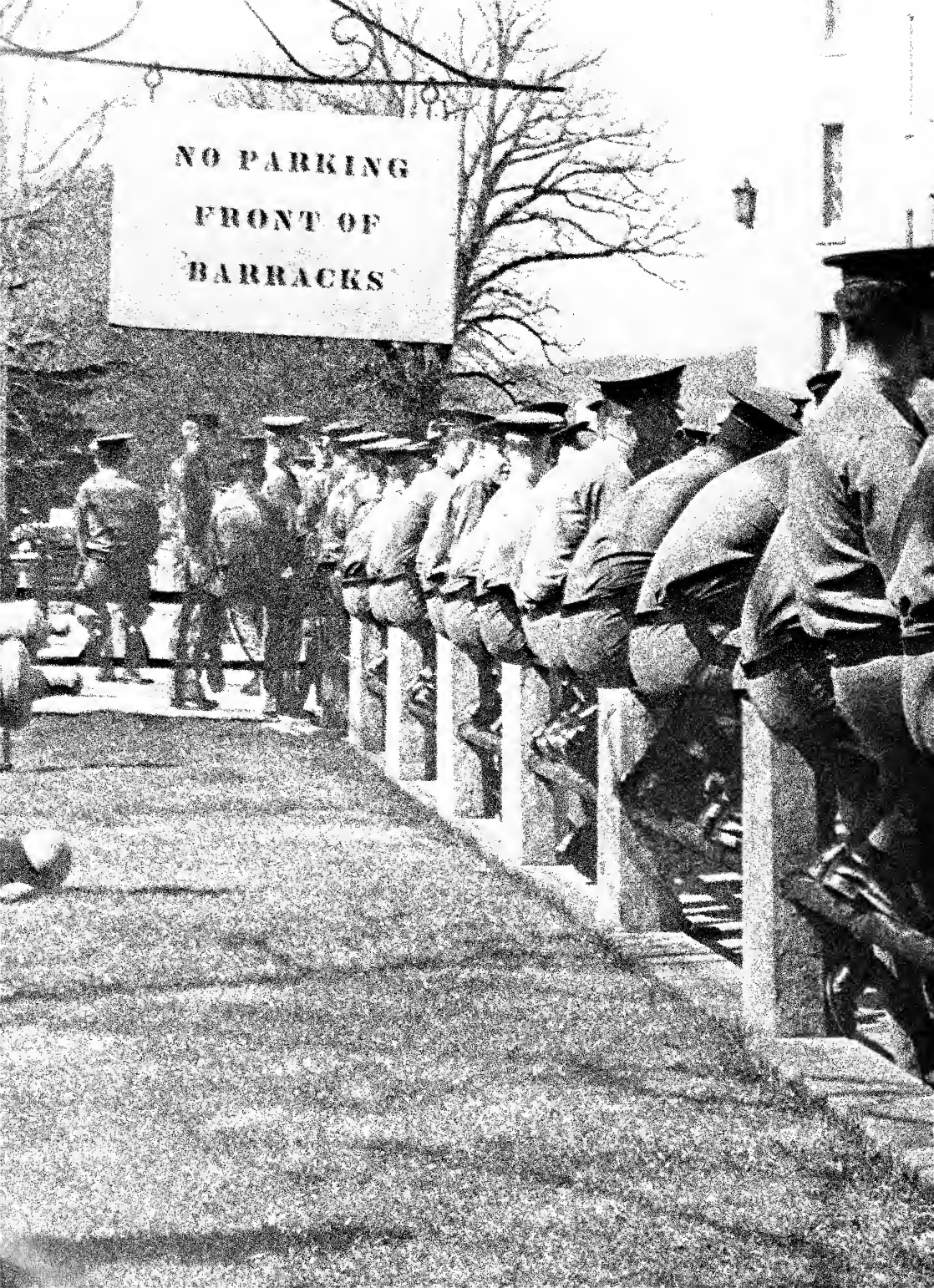


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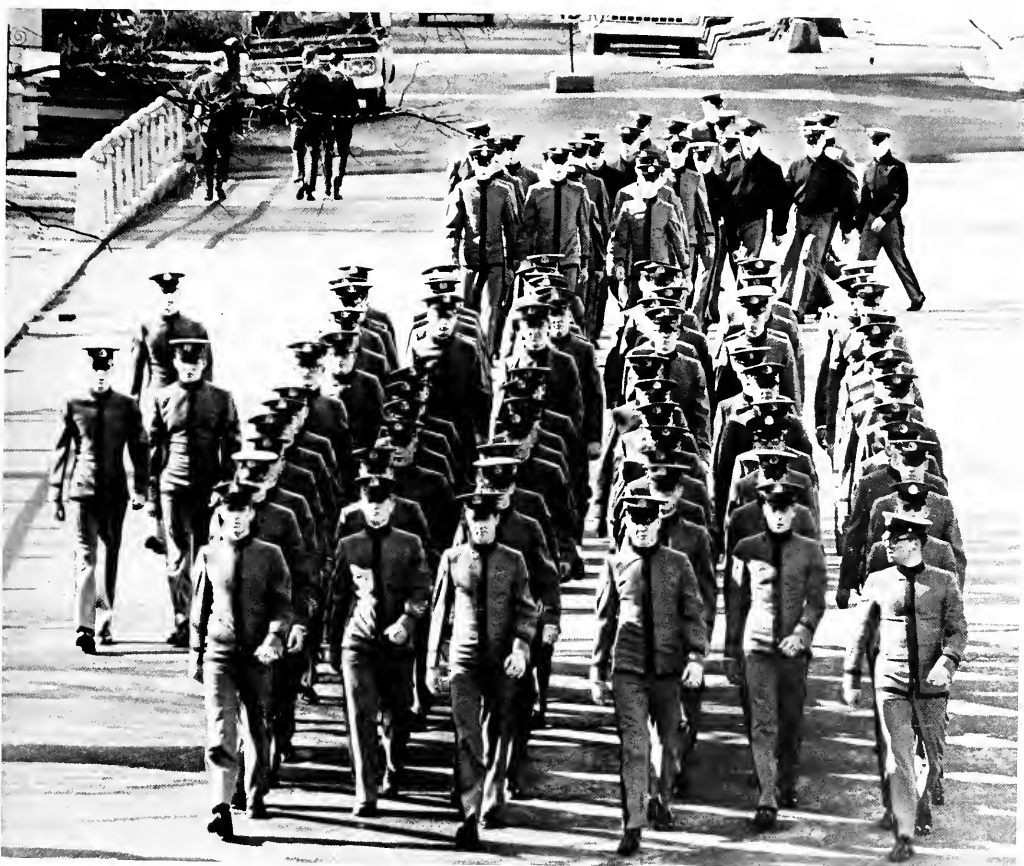
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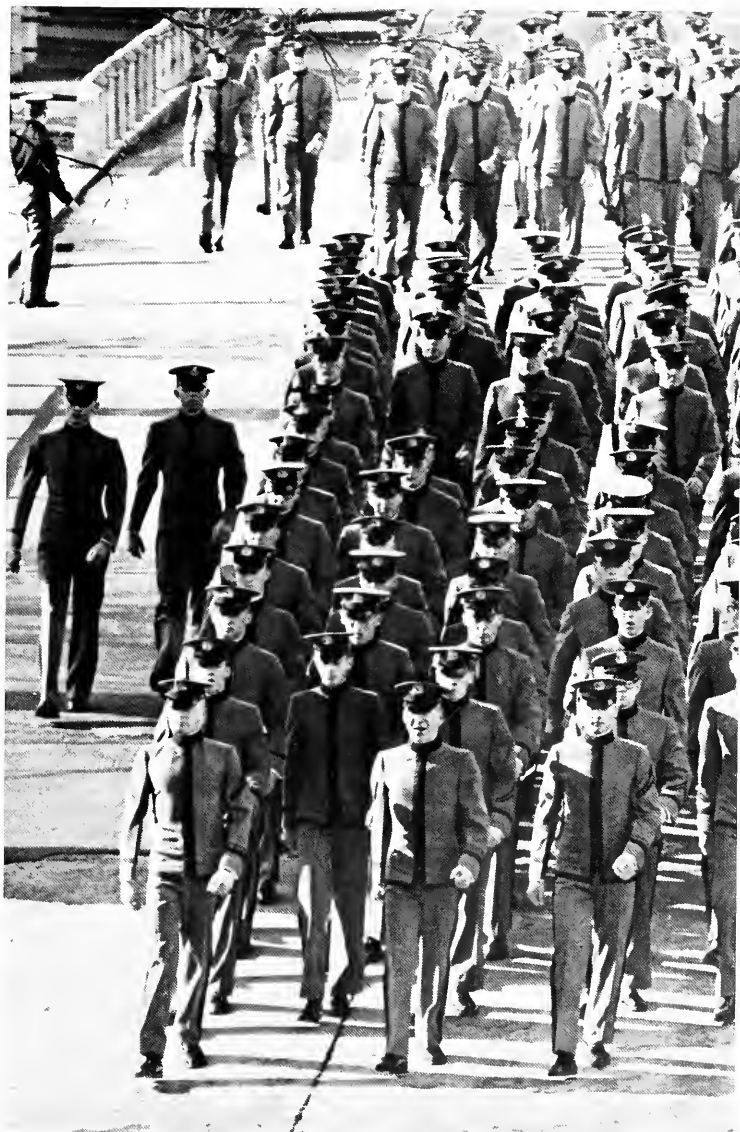
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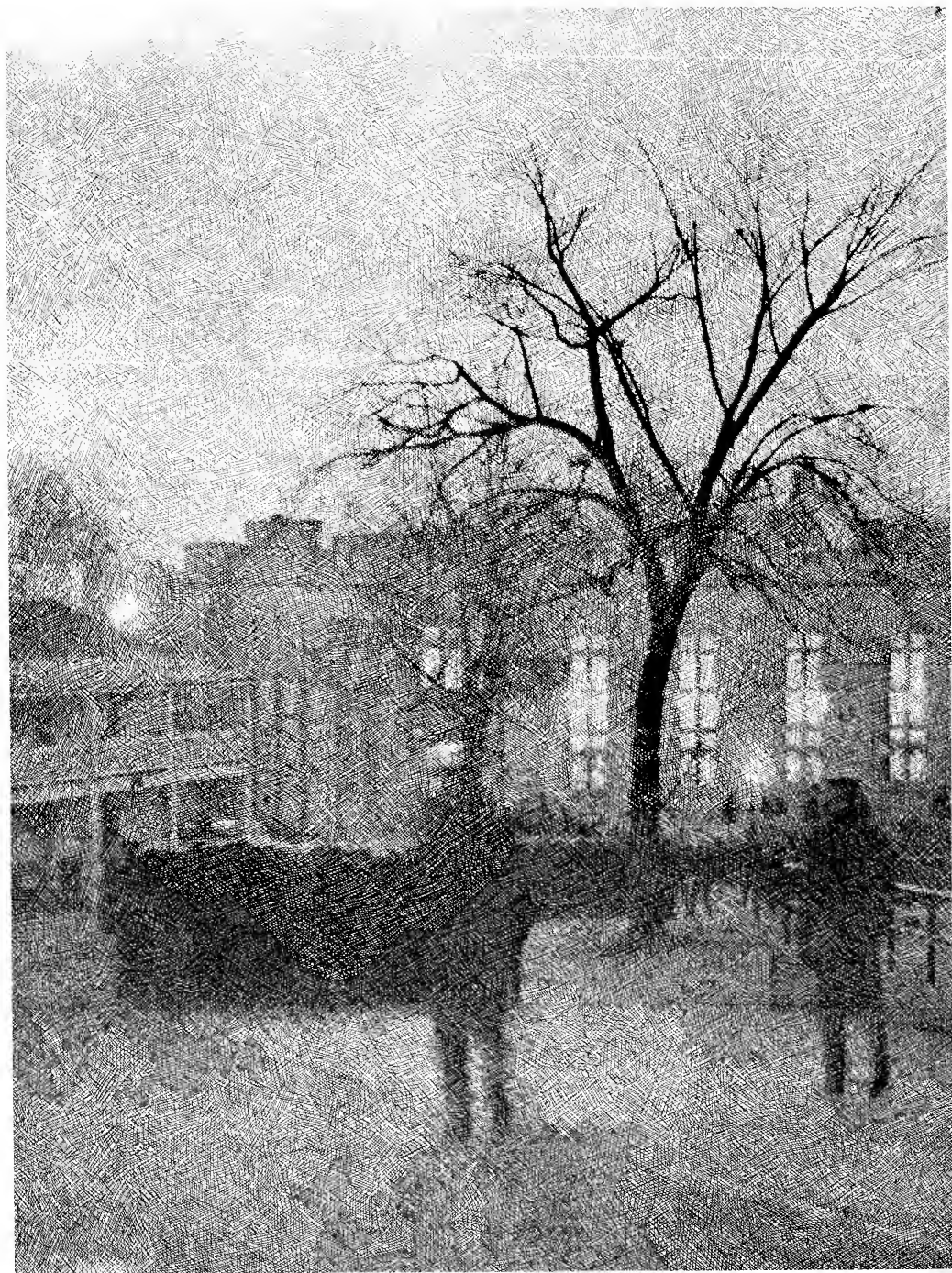
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SUMMER CAMP

"Gimme your attention! Today we're gonna learn to fire the M-14 rifle. If you've ever fired an M-1, you don't need this instruction, but we got no class cuts left, so come on anyway. After that, since the cattle cars are haulin' TM's, FM's, and troopers from the 26th Birdbrain, we'll double-time to the mortar range, which is only 20 miles off. Following mortars, we'll incorporate what we learned at map-reading to find the PX and its 15¢ goodies. Then we prepare for a night raid on Gettysburg. Attack formation will be squad in column, fire teams abreast, unless we fergit the Right Guard, in which case we'll use a long line. Communication system will be as follows: one puff off my cigarette means shift into line, two means start firing, and three means charge. If you see me throw the butt away, then remember our objective rallying point is the PX. The machine guns don't work, so you gunners just pretend and yell bang, bang, as fast and as often as you can.

OK, fall out and regroup in ten minutes in kill gear."





FTX



There comes a time in everyman's life when the call of the world over-powers the natural drive for an education. Since the administration realizes that this is a fact of life, even among cadets, it has, in its usual benevolent manner, set aside three full days to be used for the satisfaction of those afflicted with this disease . . . spring fever. An eight mile hike and the unsympathetic natural elements are usually enough to restore these poor cadets to the right frame of mind for the last two months of arduous study.

This complementary three day break in the monotony of cadet life can be used in some small way to prepare for a job each cadet must do as an officer in the active army. Thus, training sessions are offered in each of the service branches. The wise cadet will take advantage of this opportunity to gather information and experience which is unattainable in the outside, civilian world.





ACTIVITIES







Jacques Bosseut said, "Honor is like the eye, which cannot suffer the least impurity without damage. It is a precious stone, the price of which is lessened by a single flaw." At no other place is this more true than at V.M.I. In the midst of a world of changing values, honor remains as the foundation of the individual at VMI. Regardless of the consequences, honor stands as our primary concern in the development of the VMI Man. There are many categories of cadets—privates, rankers, athletes, and students. There are those who enjoy life here, those who tolerate it, and those who hate it. But there is one category which covers all cadets—Honesty. They are trite old sayings, but "Honest is the best policy" and "there are no degrees of honesty" are accepted as a way of life here. When a cadet violates the trust that has been placed in him by lying, stealing, or cheating, he must be immediately dismissed by the Corps in what is perhaps the cruelest and most humiliating method of expulsion—the drumming-out ceremony.

The sense of honor ingrained at VMI is the most valuable aspect of heritage we receive during our four years. The Honor System is not just a set of rules—it is a way of life which pervades every activity in the life of a VMI man. The Honor Code is not left behind when a cadet departs from the Post. A VMI man remains morally obligated to the Code and the personal standards on which it is based, no matter how far removed from the Institute he may be, in years as well as miles.

The Honor Court is not a corrective organization. Its primary function is to try violations of the Honor Code, and secondarily to form policies for the application of honorable conduct in specific cases when necessary. The Court represents the Honor Code, but the Corps embodies the Code. The Code belongs to every VMI man—present, past, and future—and it is his individual responsibility to uphold this Code. The Honor System is an affair between the individual and his Honor.

If, at VMI, we have realized nothing else but an appreciation of honor, then our four years have not been wasted. "Mine honor is my life; both grow in one; take honor from me and my life is done."

HONOR COURT



GENERAL COMMITTEE

The Corps has traditionally imposed upon itself certain restrictions that would be meaningless and impossible to enforce in other colleges. Although these standards tend to deprive the individual cadet of a certain measure of his freedom to speak and act, the results support the validity and benefit of these restrictions. This is not to say that the end justifies the means in all cases, but that the system as it stands has been proven to produce honorable and just men.

The General Committee is, in reality, a strong and rigid form of student government. It is composed of the officers of the upper three classes, plus the Chairman of the Rat Disciplinary Committee and a member-at-large from the first class. It is this group of men who initiate and enforce the restrictions which the Corps imposes upon itself and which keep the Corps operating with as little friction as possible. Since this committee is so necessary to the Corps, then, it is imperative that the men who compose this body be the most mature and responsible in their respective classes. The system as we know it will not thrive on apathy without being rendered meaningless.





RDC

The Honor System is the backbone of VMI and the graduates of the ratline are the strength which keeps it operating. These are men capable of understanding the system, being proud of it, and emotionally strong enough to enforce it. The VMI system and what it encompasses is one of the most difficult and rigorous in the country. Very few people are capable of conforming with this system after the ease and comfort experienced in high school without feeling totally lost. The function of the Rat Disciplinary Committee, then, is to provide this transition from high school and to give these new arrivals the indoctrination, attitudes, and habits necessary to successfully complete four years of demanding military and academic obligations.

This committee also provides the upperclassmen with the means of showing the uninitiated rat his mistakes without resorting to the use of demerits, while still providing a most effective and drastic method of telling the rat that he has made a mistake. Through this committee the first class directs the formation of a class which will one day take the same responsibility on itself and, by this same means, perpetuate the tradition that is VMI. Thus, the Rat Disciplinary Committee has the responsibility of molding the high school graduate into the VMI man, and, in turn, solidifying this group of fourth classmen into a unified VMI class.

The committee officials are: Tom Province, Chairman; Charles McCallum, Vice Chairman; Louis White, Secretary; Robert Steele, Alpha Company; Dick Rankin, Bravo Company; Ronald Cowardin, Charlie Company; Paul Grigg, Delta Company; George Walton, Echo Company; Robert Mitchell, Foxtrot Company; and John Warburton, Band Company.





THE PUBLICATIONS BOARD

The Publications Board represents different things to different people. A member of the Commandant's Office has described it as an "anti-military . . . bunch of clowns." Admittedly, the initial term is, for the most part, accurate. Because the Board is a supervisory council comprised of those cadets and faculty members in the more responsible positions on the three cadet-produced publications, the organization bears no resemblance to the military. No military structure or chain of command exists. Instead, decisions are reached after uninhibited discussion, meticulous study, and careful evaluation.

Partly as a result of the efficacious study by the Board, the cadet publications have achieved or surpassed the level of other college publications. The Board also subsidizes these financially unprofitable, but literarily rewarding publications. In addition, the Board sponsors an annual banquet honoring the members of the Corps who have most contributed to the success of their respective publications. It is hoped that this opportunity to enjoy good food and to hear a reputable member of the journalism world will motivate continued dedication. The tasks of the Board are varied and in some cases intangible, but as long as the *Bomb*, the "Cadet," and the *Sounding Brass* continue to improve and to operate smoothly, the work of the Publications Board will be well-justified.

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V. MILLER: I'm firmly convinced, after a year's work on the *Bomb*, that there are few positions at VMI which are as strenuous, time consuming, yet necessary. Unlike the newspaper, a yearbook is a one shot affair which will last as a reminder of one's cadetship long after stories of the "Old Corps" have lost their relevancy. I have striven to make this year's *Bomb* a meaningful and controversial addition to the VMI literary tradition. It was written with the express purpose of emphasizing what I feel are the two most valuable acquisitions of a VMI education; a strong sense of honor, and the intense personal relationships epitomized in the Brother Rat spirit.

As a result of this primary aim, we have attempted to describe VMI as it really is. Instead of glossing over the entire picture, we have stressed the views of the Corps and what we of the *Bomb* staff consider to be the truth. I feel we have achieved our purpose in a mature and responsible manner and without resorting to the vitriolic personal diatribes which are inherent in so many yearbooks of other schools. But more important, I hope that what we have said and the manner in which we have said it will awaken certain elements at VMI to the often white-washed fact that the Corps is mature enough to be capable of making responsible decisions and should be treated with the respect due the individual and his honor. This is a fact that the administration seems more and more intent

on rejecting, yet is one on which the entire system is ostensibly based.

NORMENT: Since September of 1967, there has been a maturing concern over the degeneration of the once legendary VMI system. Amid this past year of national turbulence the Institute has persevered. Appropriately, a new genesis of cadet has emerged out of the fantasy world of VMI. This is the man who intuitively deliberates the present value of the "class-military" system that is gradually becoming a myth. It has been a year of general discontent. It has been a year of political flare and unexpectedness. It has been a year of unpopular, but imperative transition. Such has been the comparable plight of VMI—a fading, broken shadow grasping for realization and reality.

It has been the objective of this year's *Bomb* staff to concentrate on the VMI as it exists in actuality, not in theory. There is an ever-broadening chasm between the two positions. With the completion of this editorial and the 1968 *Bomb*, I regretfully leave behind the theme "Honor above Self" and the loyalty of a few selected Brother Rats. Work on the *Bomb* has permitted me to release four years of inhibitions. And now, I am



Copy Editor Ben Hedrick



sorry our work is completed. It is a feeling only genuinely understood by those of us who labored in the "den of iniquity." HEDRICK: As far as I am concerned, this is the best *Bomb* VMI has ever seen. We have worked hard putting together what we feel to be the truth. Sure, we could have played it safe and retained the same old stuff you see year after year. But to say something that is not true or is against the true feeling of the individual—and I stress the word "individual"—is the height of degradation. For this reason, all that is written in this volume is the truth as we see it.

Some of you may not agree with us and others may feel we stepped way out of line in some places. If this is so, I sincerely hope this disagreement stems from your own individuality, and not from a rigid adherence to tradition. This would mean that we have helped to promote the goal of VMI—the production of citizen-soldiers, not soldier-citizens.

In any case, you must all agree that the intentions were honorable and the cases presented were in some way justified. I am pleased with the result, as I feel that this is the most constructive and mature piece of literature that VMI has seen in a long while.



Art Director Mike Philipps

PHILIPPS: 1968 *Bomb* . . . intensity . . . vitality . . . originality . . . NERVE! OK, everybody fouls up now and then . . . but \$14,000? Maybe we ought to try it again; but Buck, it's May 15 . . . just look at it objectively . . . subjectively? Well, how about pity . . . Ah, yes, the pictures . . . only minor irritations . . . everybody ought to walk at least one PT, but five? . . . *Bombs* are made, not born . . . who said anything about photographers . . . "I rebel, therefore we exist." . . . Which way to Air Canada . . . the mind benders . . . LUV . . . irrational man . . . very interesting, but grotesque . . . 250 at f/8 . . . soup color? No sweat! . . . WVa. Cheerleaders!! . . . Think what we could have done with the 300 . . . right up to my usual high standards . . . 1/30 at 4 Steve, works every time . . . whadaya mean all night . . . Late? Who said late? . . . TM³ . . . Hey grit . . . Go to it T.K., you can do it, all he can do is say no . . . "So take good care of yourself, put your kazoo on the shelf" . . . artistic temperament . . . study?? . . . procrastinate . . . WVa . . . Georgia . . . Boston College . . . Charlotte . . . Roanoke . . . CCCO . . . subversive . . . only 24 hours to Boston . . . I've had the course . . . Where is everybody? . . . Picturewise S.M. . . . "Far better it is to dare mighty things even though checkered with failure, than to live in the gray twilight that knows not victory or defeat" . . . AMF

Lay-out Editor Steve Miller

S. MILLER: Well, it's over now. We tried to do something new. I think we succeeded. I had a lot of trouble at first. Nobody on the *Bomb* staff this year had had any experience. We were late on deadlines because everybody was learning by trial and error. Biggest help to me were Mike and Ben. The three of us worked very well together. I'm happy with the end result of the *Bomb*. It has some controversy and a high degree of interest. We've tried to show this place as it *is*, so that twenty years from now maybe you will remember what it really feels like to be a cadet. We've said some things that have never been mentioned in the older *Bombs*. We did it as tastefully as we knew how, and I guess we're all pretty proud to sign our names to the finished copy. We cut out some things that we felt were not as important as trying to capture the spirit of say, academics, or the football team. We didn't want group shots. They merely label people. We tried to make something of beauty that would last. Only the reader can judge our success.

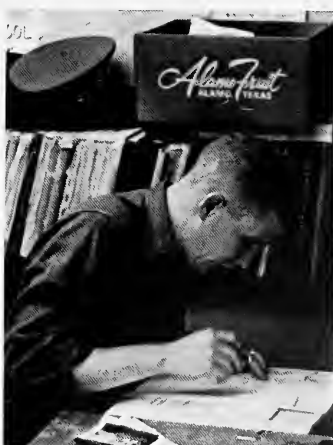


COOK: From the concept of Brother Rat to college student, VMI has given each a different and new view point, yet I believe each gains something from the system. The frustrations, the rewards, and the ideals are all an integral part of VMI and from such I received some reward.

With this year's *Bomb*, the ideals and realities of VMI have tried to be realized. Each individual of the staff has presented his candid views of school and its system, and through these attempts it is hoped that a true picture of VMI has been presented.

I believe that VMI has its place, yet it does have to change with society. Since VMI is supposed to produce a representative individual, it has to keep pace with this changing society. Certainly this change will take place, but I only hope that it will not be too late. VMI and all of its attributes are good, yet as one who has been through the system, I can not help but believe that some new ideals are necessary in this controversial year.

Production Assistant Cary Cook





Business Manager Steve Strickler



1968 BOMB

DAVIS AND CROWGEY: "Want to proof-read first class histories?" This question was asked in September. However, not until December was anything further said; and then it was "Want to be in charge of first class histories?"

The first class section, other than layout, is not a creative effort. Primarily, it is a lot of work—busy work—typing, proofreading, and organizing. Two o'clock every night . . . frustration in facing the mountain of work . . . then things started falling into place . . . the deadline approached . . . intensified effort . . . accomplishment . . . relief . . . *one* deadline met.

But this wasn't the end—once you are on the *Bomb* staff there are other deadlines to meet. Mike Colozzi, Joe Lynch, Bill Tauskey continued to work and do their job.

To non-members, the *Bomb* staff is a weird group. We were skeptical—especially after our first night in the *Bomb* room. Confusion and disorganization seem to characterize such a combination of talent; however, they do know what is going on . . . if somewhat vaguely.

The *Bomb* is the product of many people's ability to "not let the small stuff worry them." We are proud to have been a part—a small part at that—of such a sincere effort to present the real VMI.

First Class Editor "JJ" Davis



STRICKLER: 1968 has been a long time coming and the 1968 *Bomb* has been no exception. Although I, as Business Manager, have not had a lot to do with composing the *Bomb*, my times of trial and tribulation in financing this edition have not been few and far between—note example given below:

"Memorandum to:

Cadet Strickler, S.A.

Cadet Anderson, W.C., III

Major Harris has approved my request that neither of you be permitted to depart on spring furlough until you have satisfied my requirements for placing advertising accounts in the best order possible as of this time."

In fact, as this copy goes to press, our troubles are still not finished. Hopefully my staff and I will scrape up enough money to pay for the *Bomb* you are now reading.

In leaving VMI and in leaving my position on the staff, I depart with few regrets. I wish the best of luck to next year's manager, Reb Anderson. Take care on those trips to the Economics Department (may they be few and far between) and to the Treasurer's Office. You will definitely have an interesting year.





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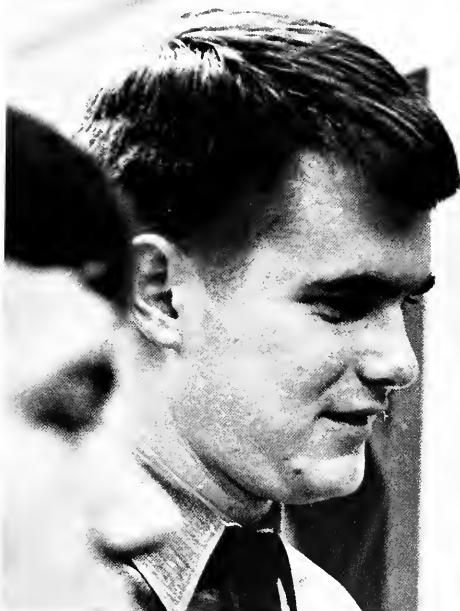




CADET

The old axiom about the pen being mightier than the proverbial sword is one which newspapermen everywhere cherish dearly. At a school such as VMI, its aptness is frequently put to the test. Although the primary purpose of any news medium must be to inform its public, there are any number of other functions which it may, and should, take upon itself to perform.

This past year's CADET has attempted, with much success, to do more than simply inform the Corps of goings on around the Post, or write stories about lectures and Corps competition. The paper has attempted to expand its scope to include national issues, as well as several "crusading" endeavors to effect, or at least suggest, changes in some Institute policies.

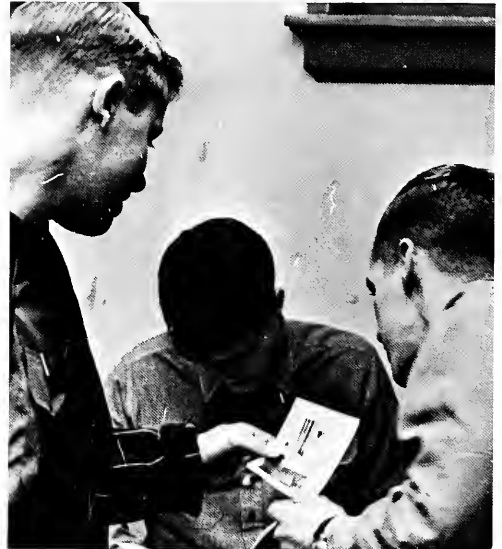


Sports Editor Jerry Jones

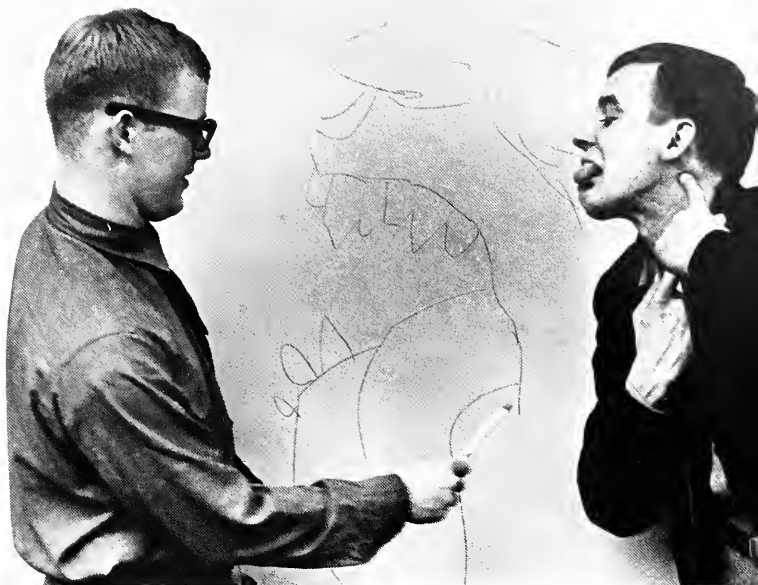
Photographers Bill Powell and Jack Kern



Putting together a weekly newspaper is not an easy task, and the VMI system is one that neither encourages nor rewards such an undertaking. Editor-in-Chief George Squires and Managing Editor Ken Perkins, through their willingness to incorporate new and controversial ideas, have presented with accuracy the impressions and moods of the Corps. The frank honesty of their editorials, though the object of some concern to the administration, has resulted in a better informed Corps on both local and national issues.



Cartoonists John Augustine and Roddy Delk



The CADET staff has put together a consistently good newspaper, providing the Corps with facts and, in some instances, through the use of whatever license the columnist may be allowed, chuckles as well.

The 1968 CADET has been successful with features, news stories, editorials, and columns in providing for the journalistic needs of the Corps. They have taken an ordinary college newspaper and turned it into a work of art.

Business Manager Irv Grodsky and Staff





The VMI Glee Club has completed two successful years under the competent direction of Mr. A. George Biester. Even though he is a German teacher in the Modern Language Department, Mr. Biester's interest is music. He arranges especially for the Glee Club and strives to maintain standards of perfection. His demands have polished and improved the club, resulting in the increased desire of the members to improve their music. The repertoire of the group varies from the sacred to those humorous aspects of life that only VMI can offer. The music presented is often seasonal. The traditional opening concert on Parent's Weekend was also the occasion for the presentation of a piano to the Institute in honor of the original director of the Glee Club, Mrs. M. G. Ramey.

GLEE CLUB

The Glee Club schedule is demanding, but the experience is very rewarding. The opportunity for vocal expression satisfies one, and the joy of achieving perfection compensates for the sacrifices.





SOUNDING BRASS

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The *Sounding Brass* is the youngest and the least known of all VMI publications. This magazine is also probably the most poverty stricken of all cadet publications. The *Sounding Brass* is uncluttered by advertisements . . . and money. The fact of the matter is that it is hard to sell a literary magazine to five hundred cadets a few weeks before Finals. It is, however, a genuine thing. Like poor people all over the world, the *Brass* is pretty frank, maybe a little opinionated, even slightly pornographic at times—just like life . . . real, tangible.

The *Sounding Brass* is a literary magazine, providing a forum for the poetry and prose of the Cadet Corps. Mr. T. Y. Greet, the advisor to the staff, is probably the one person who works the hardest for the magazine, functioning as a censor and as a restraining hand. It is he who keeps the goals in sight, enabling the magazine to realize its potentials.

The *Sounding Brass* is a good group with a good product. For its members, it is one of the most satisfying organizations in barracks.



Hop and Floor

Some of the most enjoyable moments during one's cadetship are those few in which the monotonous routine of VMI life is broken. The best of all are, of course, the dance weekends. At these times, the gym becomes a sight to behold. The wooden floor, which during the year bears the constant assault of tennis shoes and bare feet, is swept clean. The basketball goals are pulled up, the upstairs track is covered with chairs, and the whole gym is decorated to cover up the shoddy walls.

This year's Hop and Floor Committee has done an outstanding job. They do the best that can be done to make the gym look like the ballroom we should have. The bands provided by this committee, although not pleasing to the administration, have been what the cadets want: the *Swinging Medallions*, *The Kingsmen*, *The Drifters*—to name just a few. As a result, a new brand of visitors, that rare breed of animal known as the *Femalium Americanus*, flock in abundance to grace the post.

What this little publicized band of brothers is able to do with Cocke Hall is far above any praise we can give them.





TIMMINS SOCIETY

The Timmins Society was formed over ten years ago with a bequest from the parents of former cadet Lt. John W. Timmins, who was killed in Korea. This money was used as the foundation of a society for the appreciation of classical and contemporary music.

Since its establishment, the society, under the guidance of Col. Thomas B. Gentry, has been able to procure several listening rooms and a large collection of records. In addition to the administration of the Timmins Room, the society sponsors annual trips to New York for the purpose of cultural development for its members. This year seven of its members attended the opera *Carmen*, various Broadway plays, and a concert by the New York Philharmonic Orchestra.



SPIRIT OF '68 COMMITTEE

Beat Tech sheets . . . mess hall cheer-ins . . . midnight cheer rallies . . . these were a few of the things that helped the Big Red roll up a winning record. "After losses to Richmond, William and Mary, and Georgia, many schools would fall apart along with their football team . . ."—the Class of 1968 was not going to let this happen. To bolster school spirit, a small group of dedicated first classmen led by Dana Duthie organized the Spirit of '68 Committee. Many nights were spent preparing the rallies and decorations for each game. This spirit became contagious and the whole Corps was soon hanging up sheets and signs. Their work was climaxed in an all-out effort for the Tech game. But the committee's work did not end here . . . there was still basketball, wrestling, track . . .



WEDNESDAY AND SATURDAY GUN AND HIKING CLUB

Of all the many and varied forms of punishment at the Institute, the most time consuming and unproductive are penalty tours. This form of punishment takes valuable study time from the cadet and replaces it with a misdirected form of retribution. Also, the fact that the Tactical Staff has turned penalty tours into a competitive game to see who can have them walked under the most adverse conditions, has turned this punishment into more of a waste of time than it was originally designed to be.

It is the feeling of this staff that the goals of a college—and the goals of VMI—could be better served if a system of mandatory study were substituted for the fruitless hours of walking.



The English Society

The goal of the VMI English Society is to stimulate within the Corps an interest in the intellectual and literary aspects of life. In order to achieve this goal, the society sponsors several programs throughout the academic year, in which all members of the Corps, the faculty, and citizens of the community are invited to participate. Included among these activities are cultural seminars on books, art, and films; lectures by visiting scholars; and a series of nine films of superior aesthetic or historical significance. Of special interest to the Fourth Classmen is the society's tutoring board for creative writing.

Although many of its members are pursuing a major in English, membership is not confined to this curriculum and is open to all culturally minded members of the student body. The society's maintenance of high standards, liberal attitudes, and a cultural atmosphere, which is altogether educational and enjoyable, make it worthy of the image reflected by its name.



The VMI Commanders are now in their forty-eighth year, having been founded in 1919 as the "Ramblin' Keydets." Since then, the Commanders have traveled throughout Virginia and her neighboring states to provide musical entertainment for every type of social function from the most formal balls to informal hops.

In addition to the financial rewards, the members of the orchestra are able to gain valuable experience in dealing with people, and, as all business transactions are handled by the membership, with managing an organization of their own.

The Commanders





RANGERS



The Ranger program at VMI seems to have a unique attraction for its twenty-four upperclass and four veteran first class members. Certainly the technical knowledge and practical applications learned are valuable. There must be many intangible rewards gained from ten weeks spent in vigorous training in guerrilla warfare.

Unlike the past Ranger programs, all instruction was administered by an experienced cadet cadre. This leadership was provided by four first classmen, headed by David O'Connor and under the supervision of Major Dickinson and Captains Senecal and Miller.

In order to apply their training, the rangers staged two mock patrols—a twelve hour recon patrol and an overnight raid patrol. The raid patrol was a cold, dismal trek over the mountains surrounding Lexington. The only nourishment provided was a cold, salty ball of rice.

This year's Ranger program culminated in an awards banquet at which John Chapla was recognized as the outstanding Ranger of 1967.

SIGMA PI SIGMA

Sigma Pi Sigma was founded in 1921 at Davidson College as a local honor society. Since that time, the society has grown to include more than one hundred and fifty chapters and a total membership in excess of thirty thousand. Thus, the society has evolved into the national physics honor society, with the local chapters being restricted to colleges and universities of recognized standing offering a strong course in physics and physics related subjects.

The objectives of the VMI chapter, founded in 1966, include serving as a means of awarding students of high scholarship in physics, and the bringing together of people sharing an interest in physics. Through the chapter advisor, Colonel Richard C. Weaver, the society presents lectures, movies, and discussions on all areas in the wide field of physics.



I.E.E.E.

The VMI branch of the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers is a small but active group of first and second class Electrical Engineers. The main function of the chapter is to provide training for the presentation of papers at the end of the academic year by the first classmen. All activities are oriented toward allowing the members an insight into their chosen field, and include such things as stimulating talks, seminars, and field trips.





CADET BATTERY

The VMI Cadet Battery was originally designed as a unit to provide salutes for visiting dignitaries and for other official ceremonies. This year the Battery has been redesigned to augment classroom artillery instruction with practical training in the field, as well as encompassing its original function as a salute battery. Under the direction of Major Charles "Stand up, trooper" Weaver and Captain William "Wild Bill" Dworsak, interested upperclass cadets receive training with the .45 caliber pistol, driver training in the two and one half ton truck, map exercises, and familiarization with the Bishop Battery. Practical field training with the 105 mm howitzers, under the command of Battery Commander J. J. Davis, was also a major part of this year's training.



A.C.S.

The American Chemical Society has the obligation of keeping its twenty-five members informed as to recent developments and innovations in its important field. Under the capable leadership of president Bob Yurachek, the society has done much toward making the Corps more aware of the importance of chemistry in every area of life, both military and civilian. To accomplish these ends, the society presented lectures and motion pictures, culminating in the ACS banquet as a reward for its energetic and outstanding members.



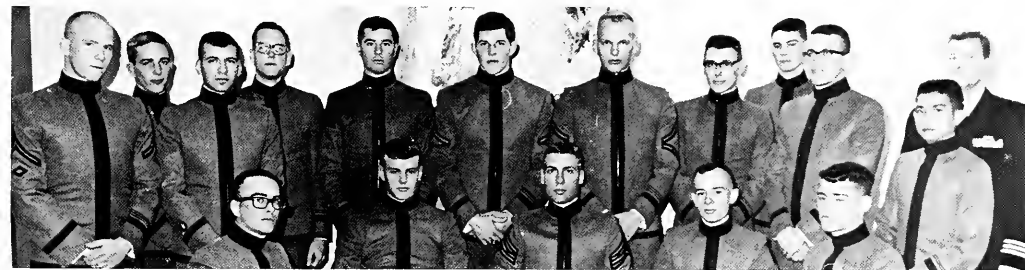
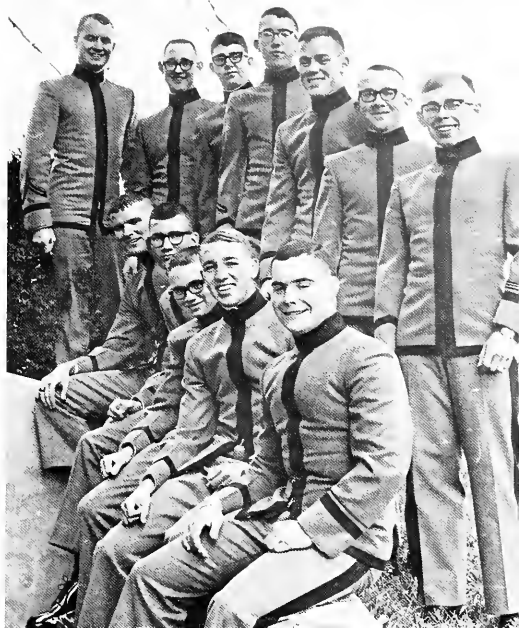
The major task of the Virginia Academy of Science is to keep interested cadets, primarily biology majors, informed on the latest developments in the field of medicine, and to serve as a distributor of information on graduate schools and job opportunities. In order to accomplish its goals, the VAS arranges for guest speakers, films, field trips, and a banquet at the end of the academic year to discuss plans for the following year.

V.A.S.

SCOUTERS CLUB

Three years ago the VMI Scouters Club came into existence to provide advice and instruction to the local scouting organizations. During this brief span, it has offered its services to community leaders who often call upon its members to function as councilors, graders or judges for special functions. The members represent some of the most experienced scouters in the country: Eagle Scouts, honor campers, and recipients of religious awards.

Due to the varied backgrounds and experiences of the individual cadets, the club serves as a source of new ideas and suggestions.



RELIGIOUS COUNCIL

The VMI Religious Council is a cadet organization whose function is to improve the religious atmosphere at the Institute, and to offer cadets an opportunity to realize their obligations as members of a community.

The Council, consisting of twenty cadets, represents each religious denomination in barracks. The president, G. Chandler Williams, and the faculty advisor, Chaplain Robert K. Wilson, guide the Council toward its two primary objectives: the familiarization of the cadets with the religious opportunities available in the Lexington area, and the encouragement of cadets to participate in religious functions.

The Religious Council is, in addition, a community-minded organization which sponsors many programs and activities to fill the vacuum created by the lack of unrestricted activities in other areas. The Council has also been very successful in its presentation of lectures and films ranging from discussions on religious topics to films on the far-reaching consequences of thermonuclear war.



CIVIL WAR ROUNDTABLE

At VMI there is a committee of cadets whose purpose is the discussion of one of the major crises in the history of our nation — the Civil War. Although it is realized that this conflict took place over one hundred years ago, this is one of the most critical areas in the development of our country. For this reason and for the sake of learning from the mistakes of the past, a group of representatives from both sides was formed to discuss this important topic, to resolve certain issues, and to profit from history.

PIONEER INVESTMENT CLUB



The Pioneer Investment Club may best be described as a circle of cadets who share an interest in stocks and bonds. Meetings consist of informative lectures and business sessions devoted to selecting a monthly investment. Cadet participation is the foundation of the club, as several cadets present certain stocks for consideration by the group from which the month's investment is derived. The selected stock is then purchased with the money donated by each member. In this way, the members can put their knowledge into actual practice, with losses or profits being divided equally. Thus, the club provides its members with an excellent opportunity to learn about investment securities in both theory and in practice.

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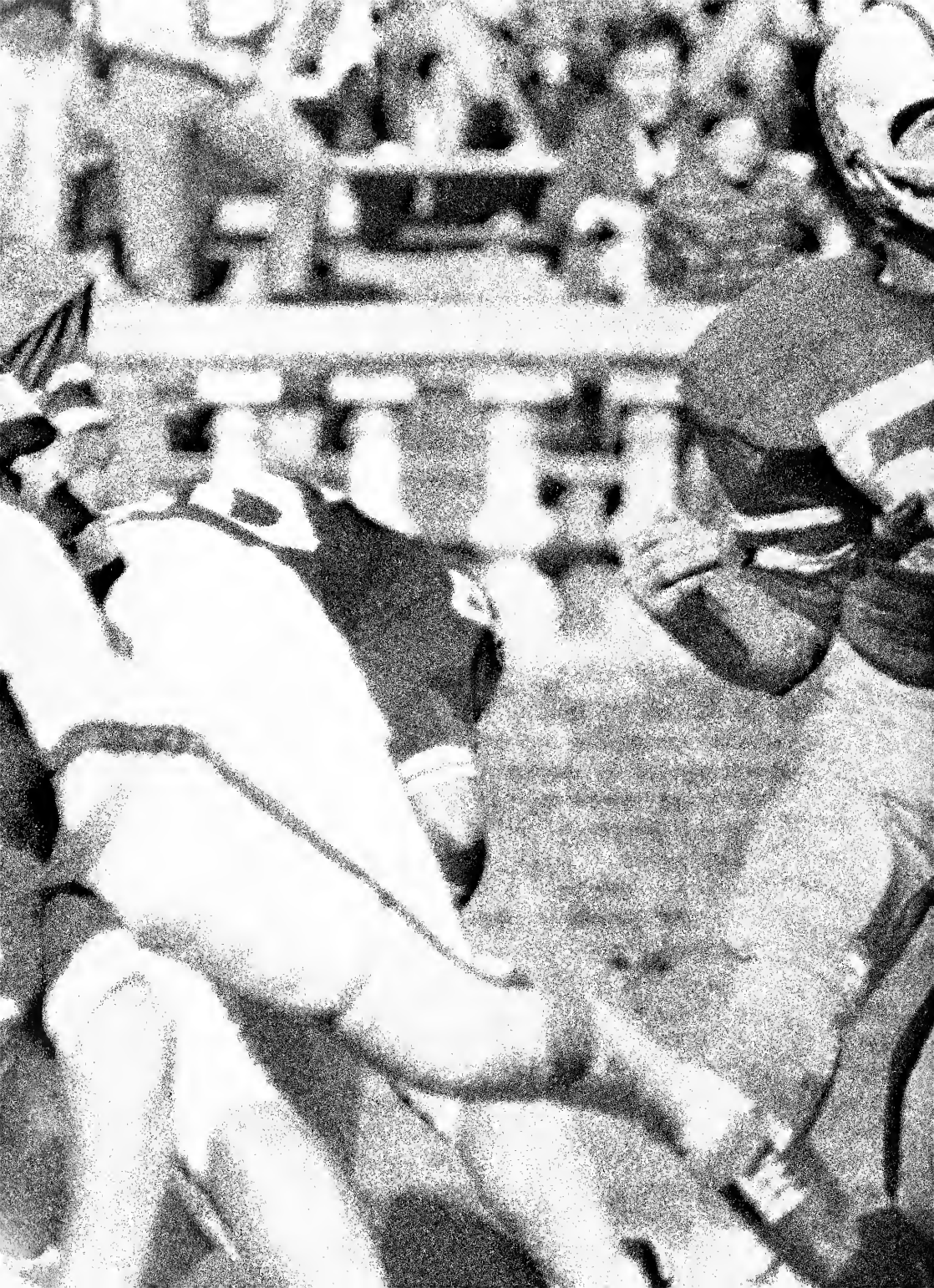








1968 Homecoming Court





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as an opening game it couldn't have been more promising . . . the defense really held up well . . . and Habby was back better than ever . . . Easterly came into his own . . . the prospect of a fantastic season if we could only keep away from injuries . . . the Corps went wild and was ready for a winning season . . .



a fast, exciting game . . . then Quay and shades of things to come . . .





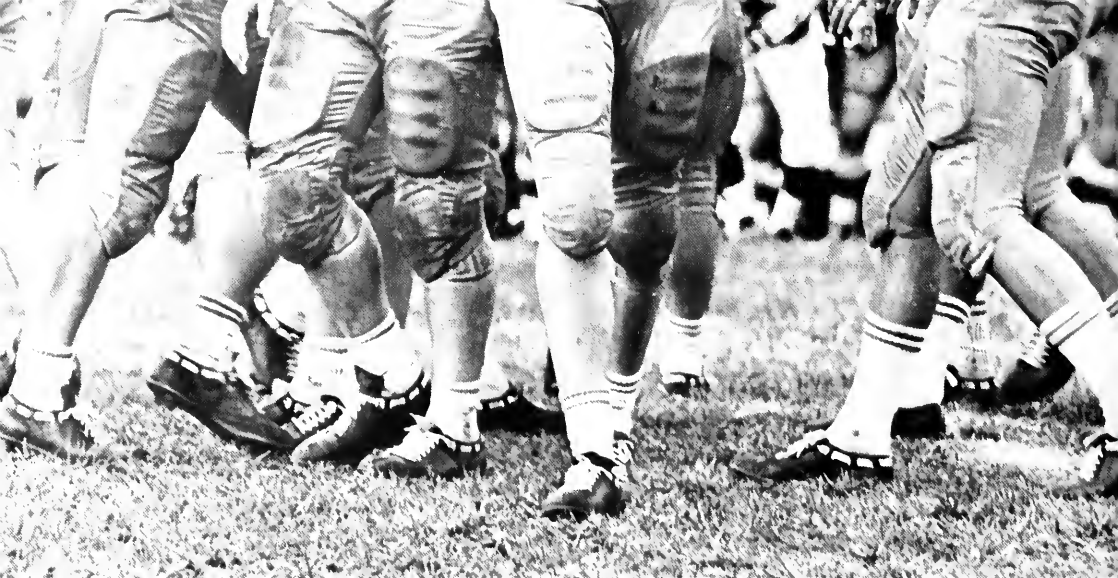
Habby came out of retirement . . . giving 146 yards and our first touchdown . . .

the Corps was at last ready for a winning season . . . the resignation of the Corps to having a mediocre football team seemed to have vanished . . . "an opening game like that is something to be pleased about" . . . Habby . . . Easterly . . . Marks . . . Burg . . . "that touchdown by Rhodes put the game out of reach" . . . both offense and defense were spectacular . . . "we're number one, and bring on Tech" echoed in barracks . . . but the big question in everyone's mind was could our winning streak hold up for that one big game . . . the Corps was ready, the team was up, and we wanted the big win . . .

Big Red rolled up 541 yards total offense . . . we scored three on the ground and three in the air . . . Bishop ran the show . . . we could pass as well as run . . . Easterly set a new reception record . . . Quay scored on a 52-yard run . . . it had been a long time since we'd seen Big Red play like this . . .

the team was ready for a great season . . . and we let Davidson know it . . .





WEST VIRGINIA

9-21

the score seldom sums up the entire game . . . Big Red had the statistics with twice as many first downs . . . Easterly set another record with 9 receptions . . . Bishop was placed third in the nation for total offense . . . Kump led the backfield and crippled their passing attempts . . . but we only crossed the goal line once . . . the Mountaineers knew they were up against quite a team . . . we racked up more yardage than Villanova and Richmond combined in W. Va.'s previous victories . . .

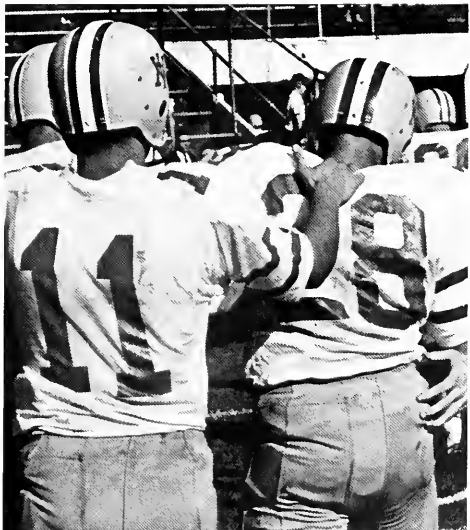




it was one of those games that Big Red won, but not by score . . . it's hard to play a good game without winning . . .

what can you say when you have more completed passes . . .

and more first downs . . .





WILLIAM AND MARY

28 -33

"the 19th annual national tobacco festival football game . . . quickly turned into a football-watchers' game replete with every possible score" . . . "Quay . . . accounted for 248 yards (195 passing), threw for two touchdowns, scored a pair himself and nearly brought about victory over a team that had been a solid 13-point favorite" . . . "Stainback, playing for injured John Hince even though he didn't even go out for the VMI team last year and had not even caught a varsity pass until saturday, caught three of them mid-way of the last quarter from Quay. The last was a sixteen-yarder good for a touchdown . . ." Stainback . . . was the sunday punch as VMI struck for a TD with six minutes remaining in the game . . . "the whole story was on the last set of downs . . ." . . . "the ball didn't even get into Quay's hand, the snap was fumbled . . ." . . . "a couple of the younger players learned what it's like to cry . . . they played hard . . . a lot of people said, nice game . . . football's never a nice game . . . it was a sad game." . . .





RICHMOND

0-3

there's not much we can say about the Richmond game . . . Big Red was ready to play football . . . but not footsy with the S. C.'s stellar officials . . . they called back Hince's touchdown . . . and threw Easterly out of the game for a fight he didn't start . . . plus a half dozen other questionable decisions . . . the Citadel was going to pay next week-end . . .



Habby only gained 94 yards . . . we just couldn't seem to get across that goal line . . .





THE CITADEL

22-11

after the fiasco with Richmond, the team and the Corps were ready for a kill . . . the game was a question of being ready and the team was . . . "strong running and passing proved too much for the Citadel defense" . . . Big Red rolled up the yardage to put it on top of the 10th annual harvest bowl . . . Habby was the outstanding player . . . but Hince, Biddle, Mackey, Sisler, and O'Donnell made it possible . . . Kerr Kump killed Cid's passing attempts and Stilwell and Julian Smith sewed up their ground attempts . . . Schmalzriedt and Strong snatched two passes and sewed up the game . . . not all the blows were taken on the field . . . the Corps wasn't going to let the team be harassed by a Citadel poster in the end zone . . . after denting a few Citadel jaws, we sent them home with a beaten team and beaten Corps . . . the team and the Corps decided to make this season together . . .





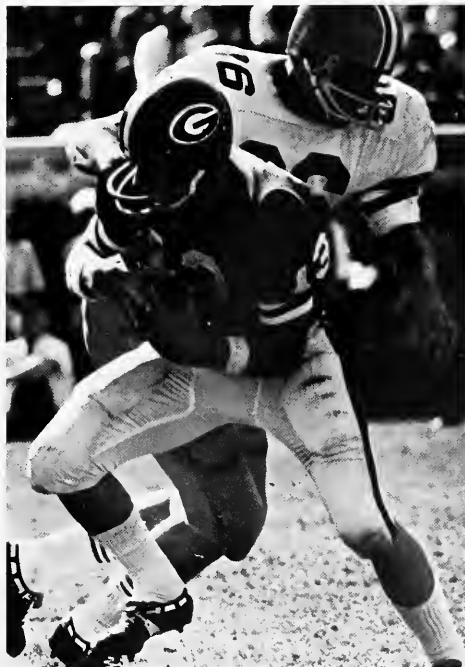
GEORGIA

6 - 56



"VMI marched boldly into the headquarters of the nation's no. 8 team . . . hours later, the downcast Keydets sadly limped out of Athens" . . . even in this financially inspired mismatch, the optimist could detect brief moments of glory . . . Russ Quay dented Georgia's pass defense, the best in the nation, with 161 yards thru the air . . . the Keydets were absolved from total disgrace as Quay hit tight end John Hince with a 23 yard bomb . . . score 42-6 . . . 49-6 . . . 56-6 . . . "there's no doubt that Georgia is a great team . . . the scoreboard of the last two games will tell you that . . . it's a funny thing about this game . . . we had a good practice this week and I thought we would do okay" . . . "it was a real challenge playing a team like Georgia" . . . "I only wish we could have done better" . . . "it's discouraging to look at the scoreboard, but we'll do okay in our league." . . . there was no need for apologies, regrets, or looking back . . . frequently the successes and achievements of tomorrow come disguised in the miseries of today . . . such was the Georgia game . . . the team maintained a fresh attitude . . . they went after each game for a win . . .

when they lost, it showed in the solemnness that haunts a losing team's locker room . . . the success of tomorrow was nurtured in their attitude . . . in the determination . . . in the desire . . . that was born in Athens and nurtured in Charlottesville, Lexington, Boston, and Roanoke the following weeks . . .





VIRGINIA 18-13

for the University of Virginia, the party was over . . . for VMI the celebrations that were to last four weeks had just begun . . . Georgia had been a debacle . . . Virginia was a victim of Corps spirit and the desire to win . . . spirit and desire proved unbeatable as we defeated team after team . . .

"the Cavaliers, who had beaten state foe VMI six straight years, saw that happy streak brought to an end . . . the 19-point underdog Keydets made the most of the fewest of opportunities . . . the name of the game was tension . . . defense . . . fortitude . . . Quay from the 10 yard line . . . touchdown . . . Coptly had the finest day of the season . . . Quay from the 1 . . . touchdown . . . Schmalzriedt held . . . Quay from the 15 . . . touchdown . . . Griffin and the defense held their ground . . . as the liquid spirits of the Wahoos drained, the 'spirit of the VMI' inebriated the corps . . . "the pepsis might as well have been champagne . . . players, cadets, alumni were shouting, singing, dancing, . . . crying . . . Ragazzo was smiling . . . Schmarlzriedt philosophized . . . "they have a good time . . . playing all the time . . . we have a lousy time . . . we work and they loaf . . . VMI did work the hardest when it had to . . ."





spirit, dedication, and sweat pulled it out . . . there would be no more Georgias . . . we were a team again . . . our other opponents, even Tech, were to learn the hard way . . .



AKRON

38-14

it was parents' weekend . . . we were going to make up for that farce at homecoming . . . the sheets said "zap the Zips" . . . this was going to be a VMI game . . . on the ground and in the air . . . Quay set the pace with a 25 yard quarterback sneak . . . three plays later, Marks ran 50 yards to the Akron 10 . . . 13 of 23 passes . . . four touchdowns . . . Kerr Kump and Julian Smith snaked a few Akron passes . . . Habby scores twice, plus a field goal . . . the officials weren't going to ruin this one . . . "it was a game of big plays"—*Richmond Times Dispatch* . . . and Big Red made them all . . . we developed everything we needed . . . a potent and versatile offense . . . a strong defense . . . and spirit . . . spirit that was never before seen at VMI . . .

next saturday was B.C. . . this team was moving . . . we were 4 and 4 with the Akron win . . . it looked as if this year was going to be different . . . this winning streak was just starting . . . "beat B.C." was heard everywhere . . . beating Tech was no longer a dream . . .





we lost the last game we played in "alumni stadium" . . . losing was a thing of the past . . . the 4,800 people who watched the game could see that, too . . . there was no doubt that this was a winning team . . . "we played a good overall game" . . . "our offense moved the ball well and our defense came up with the big plays that stopped them"—Ragazzo . . . we were going to prove this was a winning team, again and again . . . in Boston . . . and in Roanoke . . .

this was new to the Corps . . . but we knew we had a great team all along . . . now we let everyone know it . . . Corps spirit worked to defeat U.Va. . . . and it worked to defeat Akron . . . this is something only VMI could have . . .





BOSTON COLLEGE

26-13

Boston College was big, real big . . . we were 4 and 4 and we wanted this one . . . we wouldn't forget this game . . . "Habasevich was the game's leading ground gainer" . . . Kerr Kump put the big snatch on B.C.'s passes . . . and the defense proved they could hold a big line . . . beating Tech didn't seem like a dream anymore . . . that night at one o'clock the whole Corps was waiting when the team got back . . . we knew Tech wasn't going to win this year . . . pep rallies almost every night . . . the big sheets went up . . . and people got "boned" for too much school spirit . . .





VMI

TECH

12-10



last year we didn't think it was possible . . . there's a real pleasure in this . . . the last time was in 1962 . . . 12-10 . . . we beat Tech . . . four in a row . . . the longest winning streak in the state to date . . . accomplish the impossible . . . hang Tech . . . two weeks of painstaking preparation . . . the corps is behind you . . . six and four . . . a happy team and a happy corps . . . champagne takes the place of soft drinks . . . we deserved this one . . . by far the best . . . VMI beat Tech . . . which beat William and Mary . . . which beat Navy . . . which beat Penn State . . . which beat Ohio University . . . which beat Kansas . . . which beat the University of Washington . . . which beat Oregon State . . . which beat the University of Southern California . . . which, until Thanksgiving Day 1967, was **NUMBER ONE** . . .

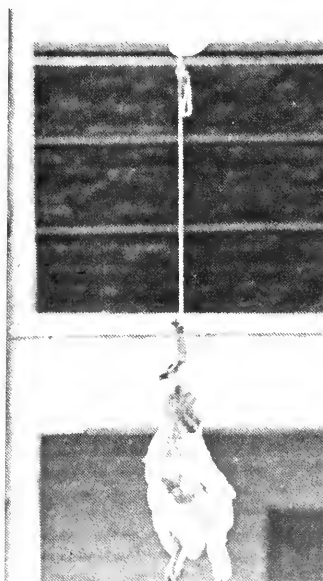


VPI

Julian Smith, VMI defensive star, was seriously injured while successfully stopping a Tech run . . .



AGT





"this was our greatest win" . . . emotionalism was 90% of the game . . . DEFENSE!! . . . no bowl this year for Tech . . . "toughest loss to take"—Tech coach Jerry Claiborne . . . the VMI spirit was the difference . . . a blocked punt . . . numerous penalties at the wrong moment . . . three pass interceptions . . . a six-yard punt . . . good field position . . . all Tech breaks . . . all stopped . . . Tech wasn't cheering . . . VMI was . . . "he (coach Vito Ragazzo) has got to be the coach of the year"—former VMI coach and present Georgia Tech assistant, John McKenna . . . "no fluke"—*Roanoke World News* . . . Tech now owns the longest losing streak in the state . . . the team, combined with the Corps, made the difference . . . Easterly was the primary receiver, but Hince came out of nowhere with 2:31 remaining . . . "the defense was the best I have ever seen"—former VMI great Howard Dyer who drove 800 miles for the game . . . "all I know is that I have never been so proud of a group of boys" . . .

"they were tremendous"—VMI coach Ragazzo . . . "we beat them 70-12 last year and now this . . . anybody but VMI"—Tech players afterward . . . "teams often remember such things"—*Sports Illustrated Magazine* . . . "this thing has been in my mind since last year, I don't think my four years would have been complete at VMI without it"—captain Bob Schmalzriedt . . . who said Tech was out of our class? . . . 300 sheets on the game in barracks . . . "I knew we'd come back to score"—quarterback Russ Quay who threw the winning toss . . . 4 of 19, Tech quarterback Al Kincaid . . . 16 of 25, VMI quarterback Russ Quay . . . we had to win when Julian Smith was hurt . . . " . . . VMI was the superior team, in almost every phase of the game"—sports writer . . . we waited 365 days for the chance to celebrate . . . "it's inhuman to beat a team that badly"—the newspapers after last year . . . "I guess that beating last year must have really made 'em mad"—one Techman afterward . . . only four seniors on the starting twenty-two . . . THIS IS ONLY THE BEGINNING . . .



SOCCER

at last a big sport for a small school . . . potential . . . "you guys have got to hustle all the time" . . . move, move, move . . . beat him to the ball . . . control . . . keep it on the ground . . . "talk it up out there" . . . "let the wing take it" . . . follow everything up and keep moving . . . how can you beat a team when Moses is on their side . . . didn't win a game, but came close in the intercollegiate soccer tournament . . . next year will be different, it has to be . . .

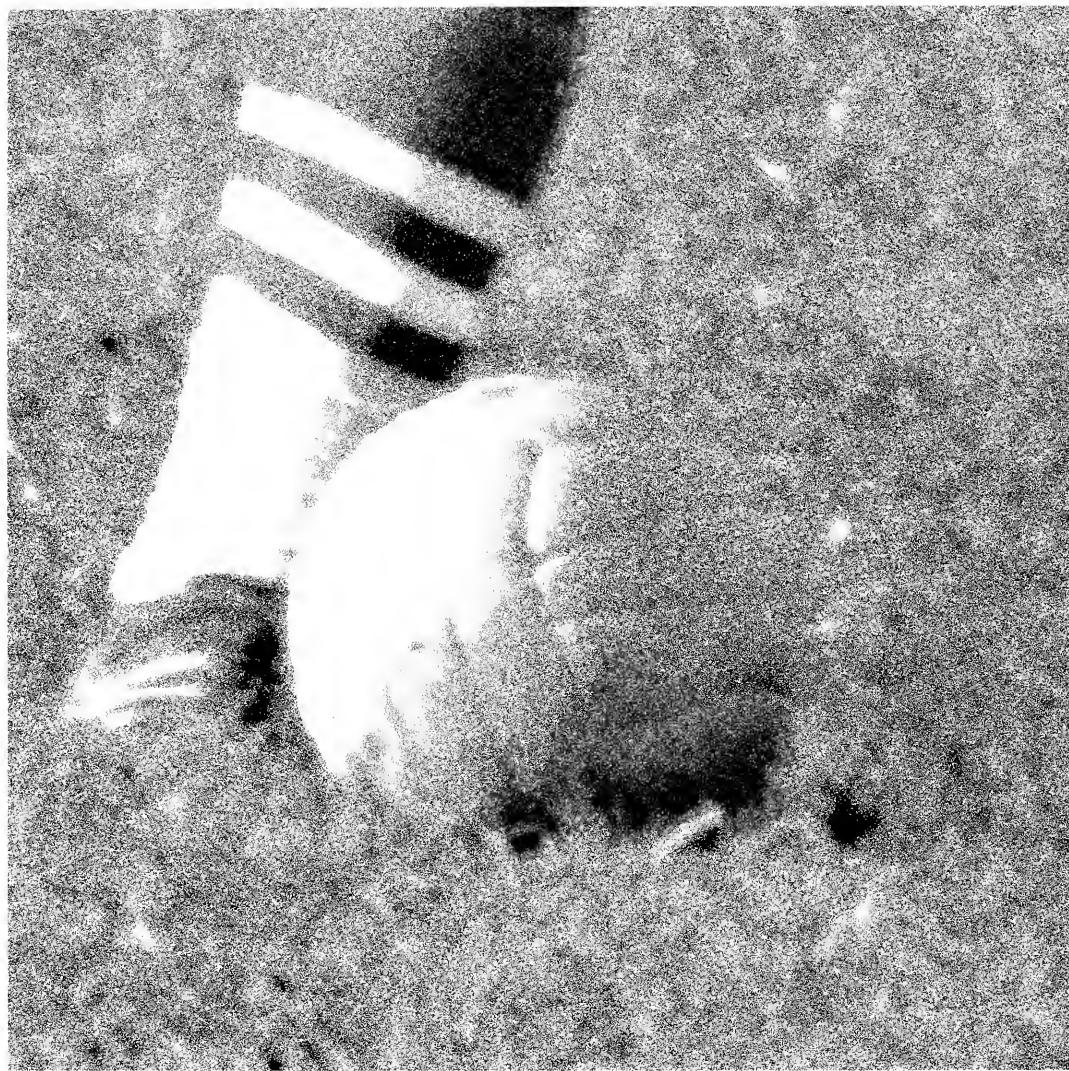


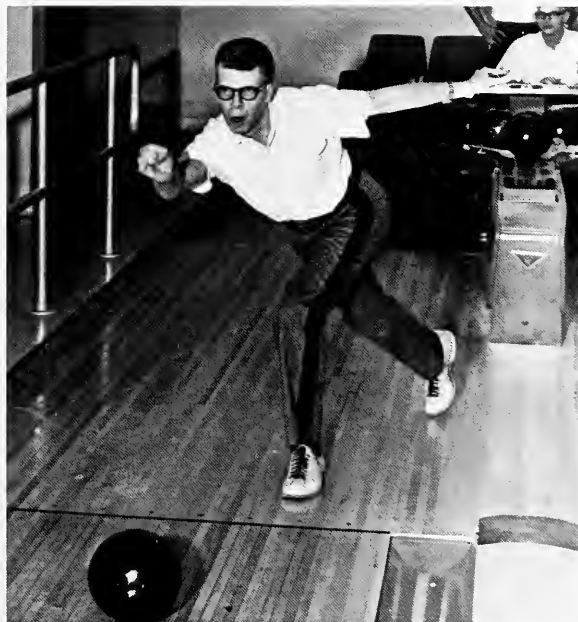


a young team . . . great body dexterity . . . a sport which constantly remains in motion . . . a year spent developing potential and teamwork.









BOWLING

First complete year . . . new to the scene . . . VMI catches up with the times? . . . we've got some great bowlers . . . Jerry Kuehn, top man in the regionals last year . . . Cal Depew, only a rat to the rest of the corps, but an essential element of the team . . . Dee Biggs . . . Ben Hedrick . . . Jim Haney . . . George Yurchak . . . three days at East Carolina . . . trips to American University, University of Virginia, University of Maryland . . . only cadet union sponsored activity . . . these men love to bowl, win or lose . . . great representative of the Institute . . .







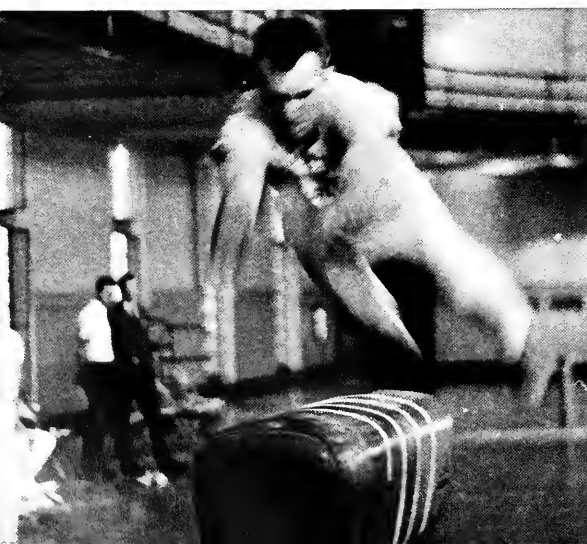
FENCING

for a team that does so well . . . defeating Duke and UNC . . . it is a gross misfortune that they must train without the supervision of a coach . . . must function on inadequate funds . . . insufficient privileges . . . and rely solely on that fencing knowledge that they receive from fellow teammates . . . even more important than the influence of these physical elements which they lack . . . the absence of enthusiasm they receive from their Corps and Institute.

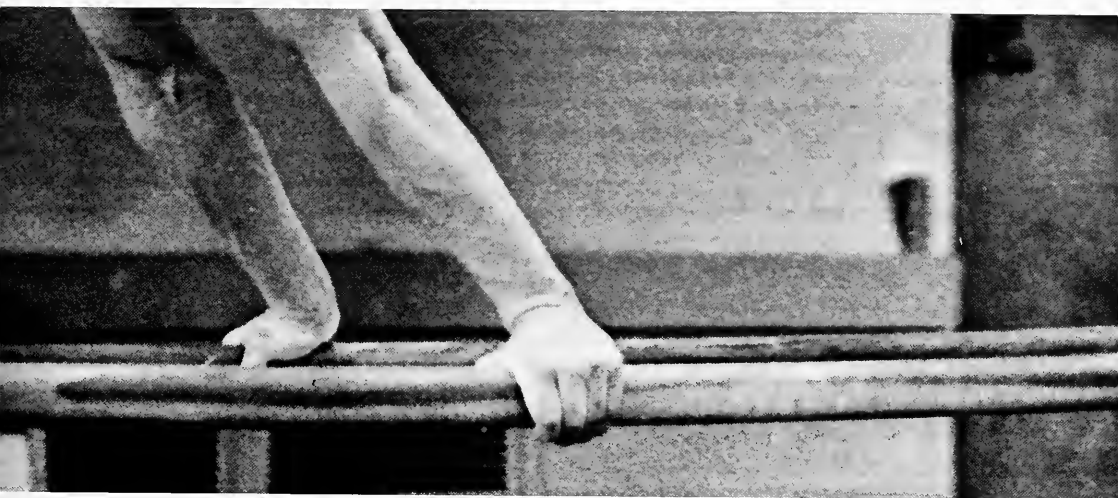


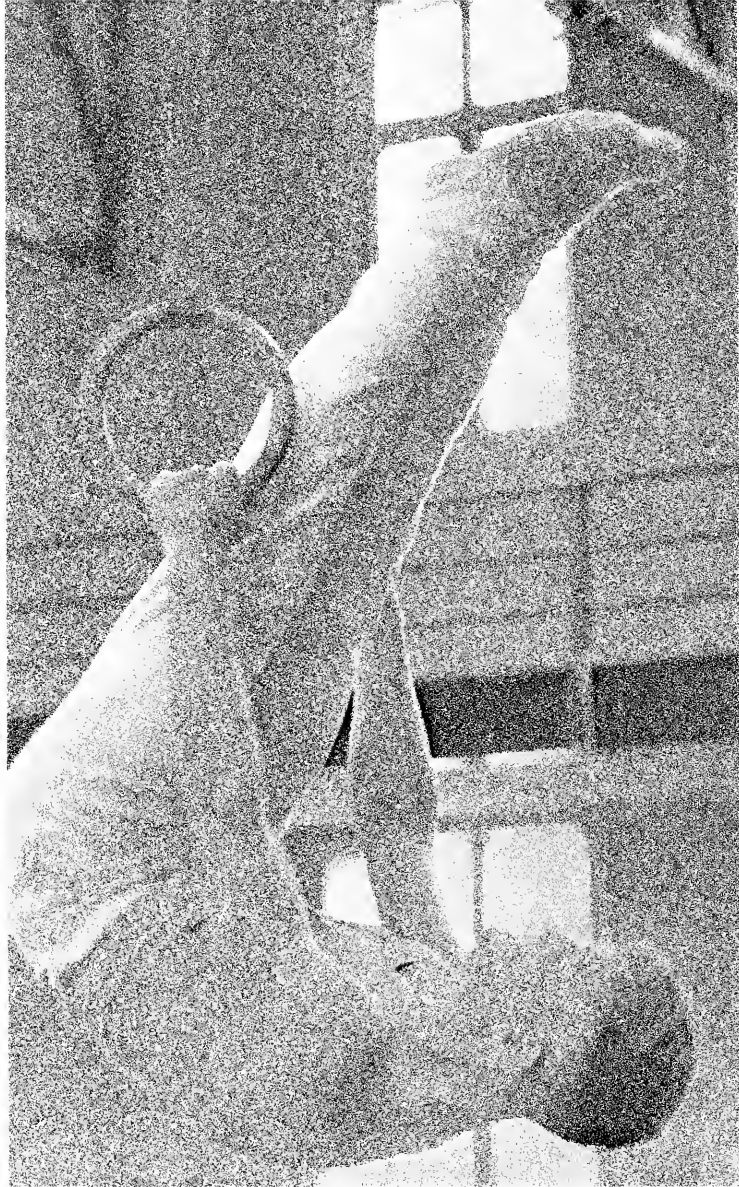


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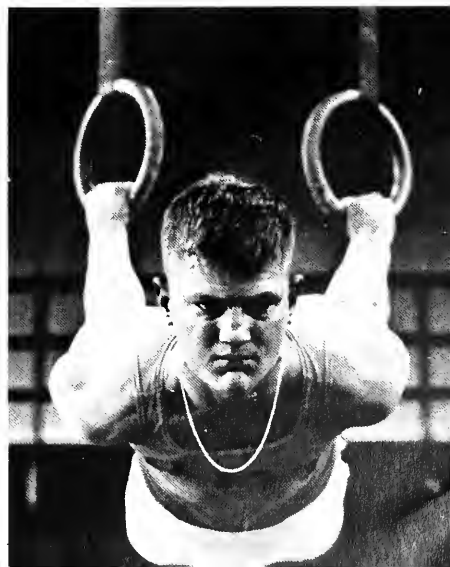
a real rough sport; ask Harvey Flinn . . . most of the boys put out with only a few exceptions . . . finally got those giants . . . has anyone seen Coach? . . . dislocated shoulder; well, we do need an announcer . . . by the shining deep sea waters, Steve that is . . . cut and catch—C move . . . somebody spot that man—oh well, a week in the hospital will do him good . . .



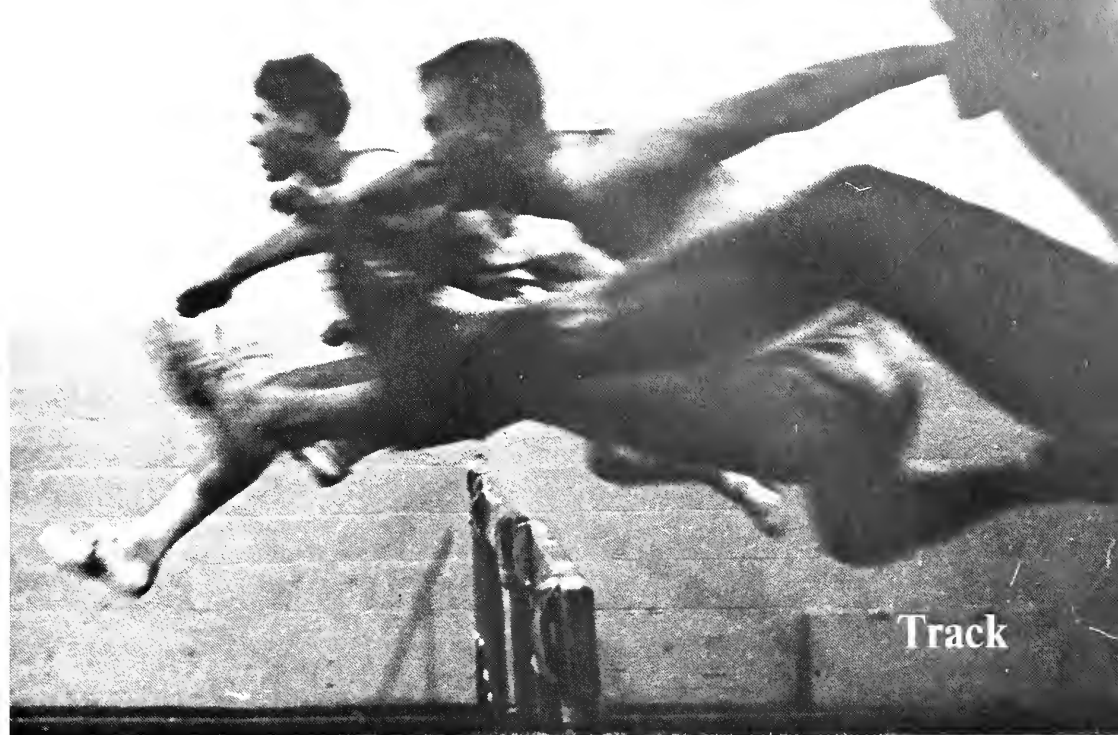




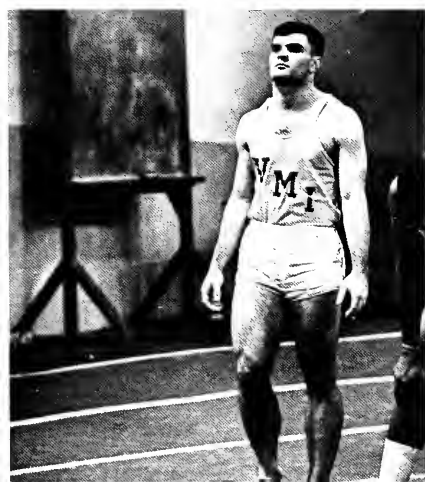
form, style, strength = perfection . . . gymnastics builds men . . . a valdez to a flip-flop, straight-straight, cranial perch—no sweat . . . “what you do in practice is what you’ll do in a meet” . . . practice is unnecessary, some say . . . futile struggle for team status . . . this end of the gym is ours . . . a new way to a quick high—work tramp . . . with a new permit, we’ll be “up” for next year . . .







Hopes for a winning season . . . the winning attitude carried over onto the track . . . a close meet in December with Richmond . . . hard work ahead . . . Tennessee one week after Christmas . . . we lose, and suffer a little . . . Hub comes back after exams . . . Leigh, Creigh, and Rick spend semester break in the fieldhouse . . . time to tighten up training rules . . . some concerned glances, but everyone agrees . . . strained muscles and many complaints . . . Bouis becomes an expert on pain . . . just ask Marv or Tony . . . only a few days until the winter relays . . . the competition is sobering . . . Honeywell aces the freshman mile . . .





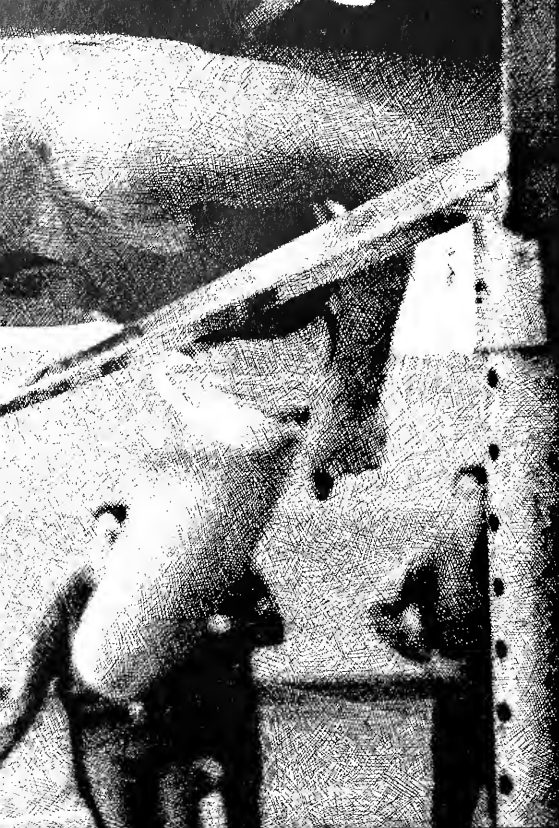
Terry overcomes a couple of barriers—new school record in the pole vault . . . Lee and Doug arrive . . . Monday contest against the Citadel and Furman . . . *We're ready* . . . Grif claims the shot record . . . VMI has weightmen for the first time . . . Rick takes the highs . . . Habby takes the lows . . . Lee cleans house in the 600 . . . Skip rides high in the 880 . . . Citadel and Furman leave us with a 3-1 record . . . Craig begins to recover and looks strong . . . Tech in one week . . . team is up for this one . . . we know we can win . . . things go wrong . . . desperate last efforts . . . we lose . . . angry and surprised, we will remember . . . East Carolina and Wake Forest are met by a resurgent team . . . Doug surprises Lee in the 600 . . . Hoose smashes his triple jump slump . . . Kerr takes the lows . . . Rick and Bruce round out our hurdle power . . . Skip in the 1000 pressed by Frank and Steve . . . Creigh breaks 9:30 . . . cries of "Hunt, Hunt" . . .





5-2 and going strong . . . one week until the state . . . we fight in every event . . . so do William and Mary and Tech . . . Hab takes the lows . . . Skip just misses in the 880 . . . we're third in the state . . . U. Va. is our consolation . . . Creigh and Rick shine in their specialties . . . Hub and Hab help make it 6-2 . . . dual meets are over . . .





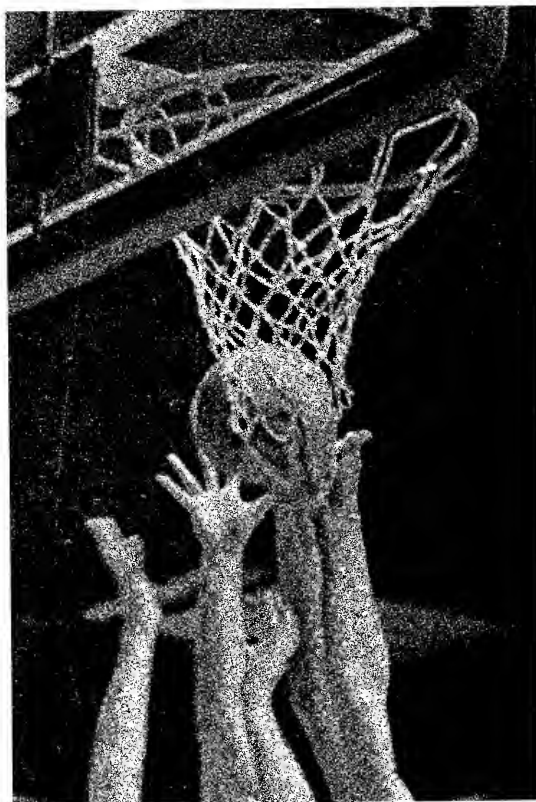


Head Coach Gary D. McPherson, the backbone of the team.



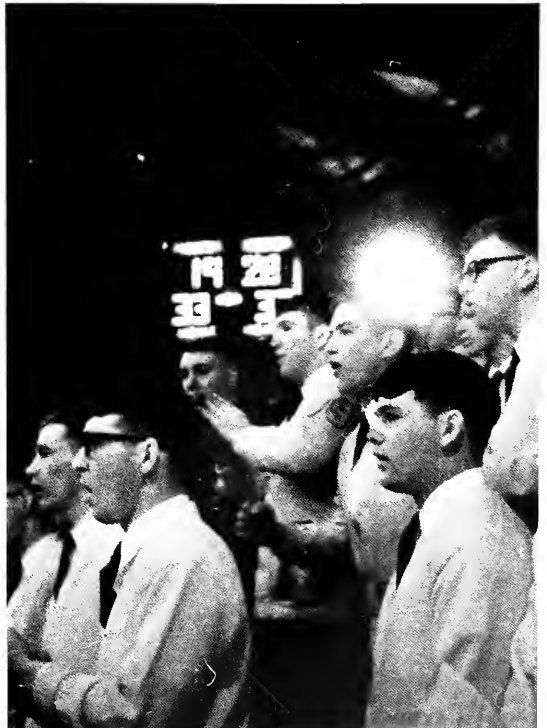
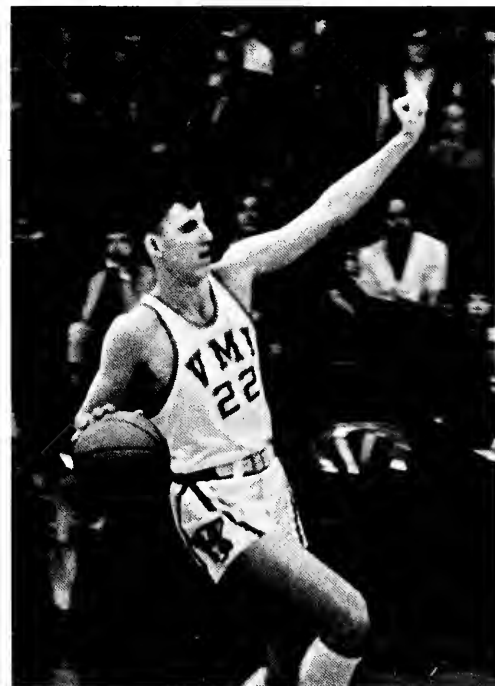


Big Red lost many of its stars from last year, but that didn't dampen their spirit . . . after a slow start that spirit came out . . . Furman was the first conference victory . . . Powers and Clark dominated the board . . . the foul line began to tell the story . . . 83-80 . . . West Virginia went down in overtime . . . it looked like Big Red would fall by a few points . . . like last year . . . Clark made the play . . . 92-90 . . . defeating Richmond would tie the Southern Conference record . . . "the Keydets were unbelievable"—sportswriter . . . 37 out of 38 at the foul line . . . Clark—20 . . . Kemper—22 . . . Mitchell—23 . . . Big Red was tied with Richmond . . . they refused to play at VMI again . . . "VMI hiked its conference record to .500 for the first time since 1963" . . . George Washington gave us the biggest setback of the year . . . 58-70 . . . Steve Powers grabbed off the season's record with twenty-two rebounds . . .





the Furman game added little encouragement . . . 73-76 . . . the last four minutes . . . Powers and Kemper sparked the team . . . but time was against us . . . only two wins from ten road games . . . home was different . . . Corps spirit is known all over the state . . . the Citadel fell once again . . . 87-77 . . . "54 percent from the floor" . . . Manis and Mitchell rallied the big five . . . "the only discouraging note was the number of turnovers" . . . Powers led the southern conference in rebounds . . . "forty minutes of basketball . . . it was a shame we couldn't have played this way against Furman"—MacPherson . . . back in the winning track . . . three conference games left . . . the prospect of the best season in years . . .



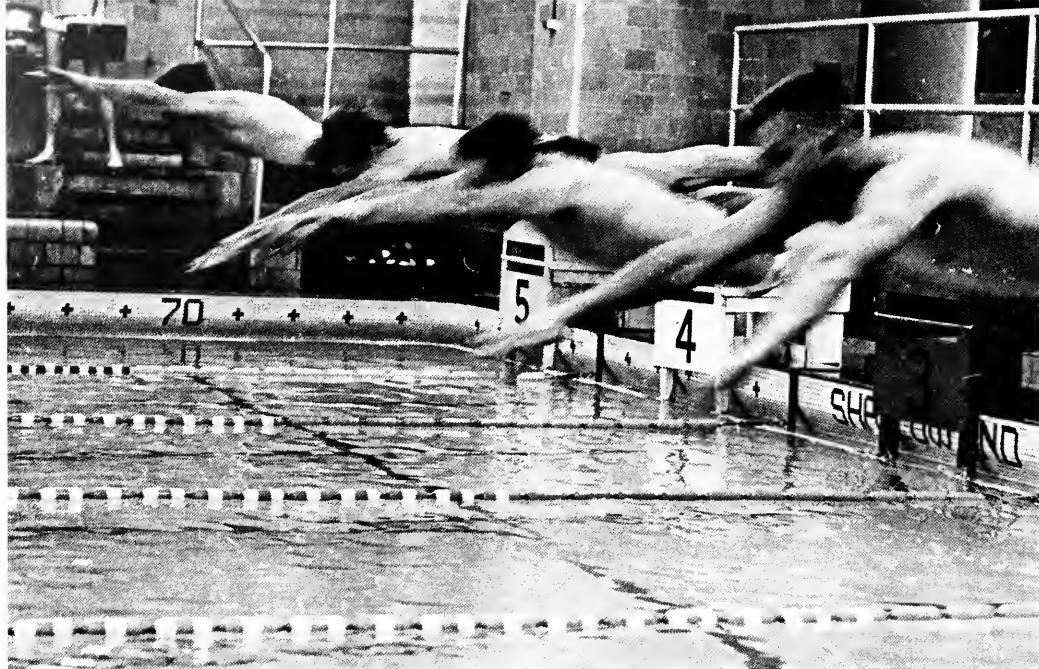


Charlotte coliseum . . . the "showplace of the Carolinas" . . . the site of the Southern Conference Basketball Tournament . . . the home court of the Davidson Wildcats . . . the castle where a 1964 cinderella team from VMI won the championship . . . oh, nostalgia and dreams for 1968 . . . "abbreviated permit" . . . approved by Herbie . . . cadets await Friday to see Kemper, Powers, Mitchell, Clark, and Manis in the semifinals . . . Friday never came for McPherson . . . only Queens College . . . Clark picks up three quick personals . . . the guards were off . . . McPherson grimaces . . . the crowd encourages the team to no avail . . . Furman's all-conference Dick Esleck scores again . . . and again . . . and again off one on one situations . . . unheralded . . . unhealthy . . . uncanny Steve McCammon can't see the basket without his contacts . . . his broken nose hurts only VMI as he steals the ball . . . again . . . and again . . . and again . . . it wasn't much of a basketball weekend for VMI . . . the fans were discouraged . . . McPherson had reservations . . . Davidson won, as expected . . . and, the spirit of '68 was left for '69 . . . only the *Bomb* delegates and the team smiled as they drove down Independence Blvd. to Queens, where the real game was to be played . . .



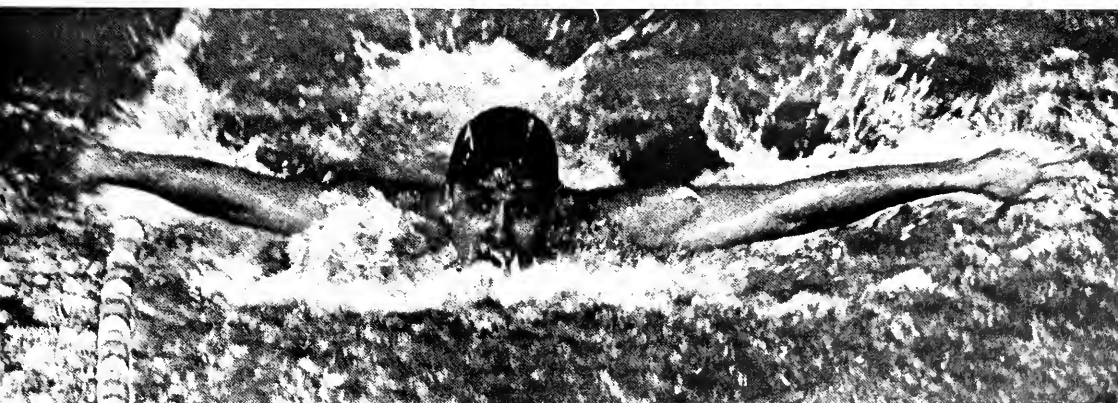
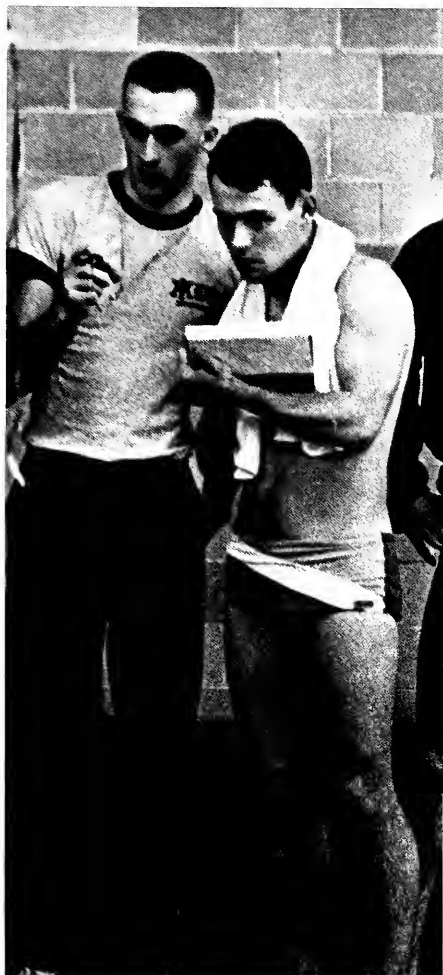


Swimming



Long hours of workouts produce a good team . . . it takes practice to swim with the best . . . we were good this year . . . "you try to psych yourself up, but it's hard when things just aren't going right" . . . Night practice . . . not again! . . . Good old chlorine blurr . . . laps . . . two miles today! . . . you have to tie your legs together for practice . . . windsprints . . . no! not the butterfly . . . anybody who thinks swimming is easy is nuts . . . "you won't drown—I won't let you drown . . ."

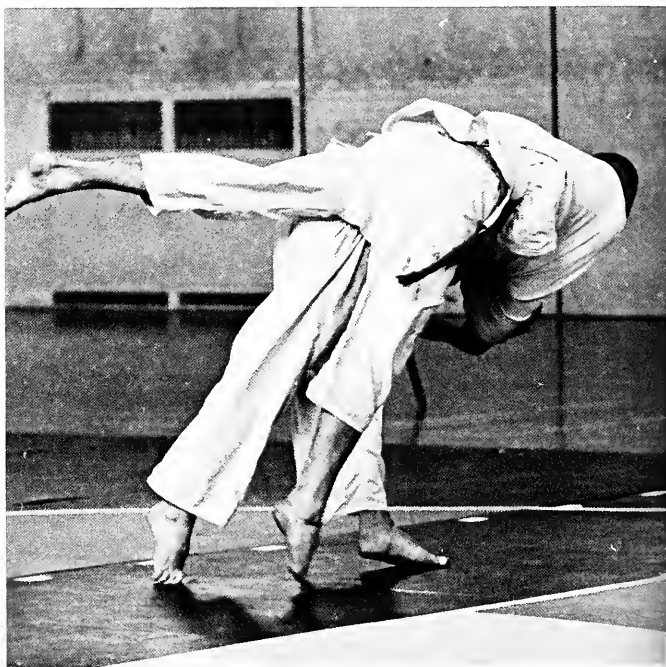






graduation of the ranking black and brown belts left little hope for this year's team . . . the interest shown by the remaining members was more than encouraging . . . Mike Gompf, Tom Morris, and Jody Grimes take the leadership upon themselves . . . the nucleus of the team still remains . . . spirit and teamwork . . . hopes of regaining the national ranking of last year . . . the team travels to the state tournament with great expectations . . . R. C. Forrest wins the heavyweight class . . .

JUDO



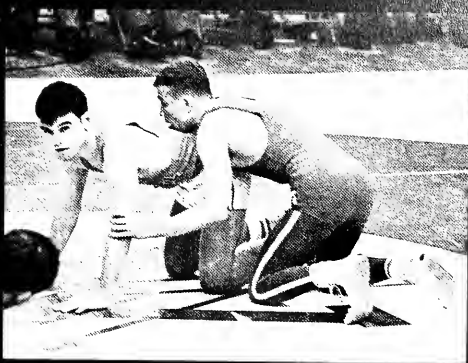
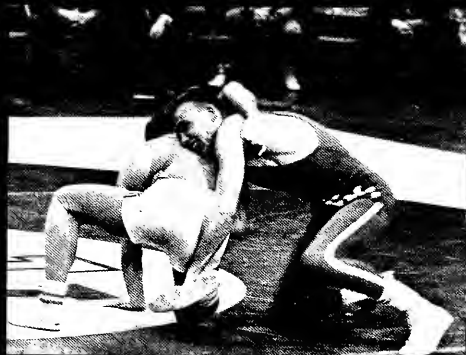


invitational meets pit VMI against experienced VPI and Georgetown . . . the spirit is there, but we lost the first by a slight margin . . . the second and final match brings home a victory . . . 54-27 . . . the season ends with a feeling of accomplishment . . . the greatly over-matched team showed it had what it takes . . . more depth next year . . . hopes of regaining national recognition . . .





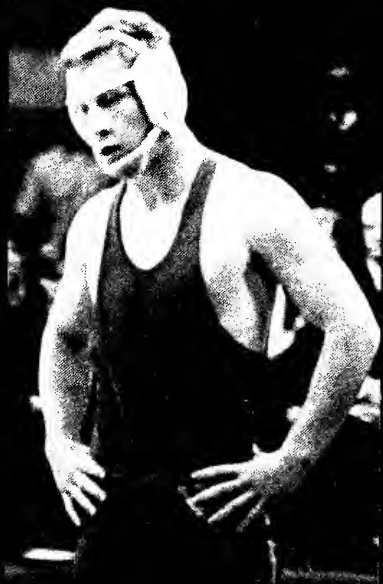
WRESTLING



two and a half hours of muscles wrenching, sweat running . . . every day . . . six days a week from October to March . . . a dedicated team . . . no scholarships, no privileges, no special diet tables . . . but the other teams have them . . . nothing giving for them but themselves, a coach, a corps and Julie Martin . . . defeated schools like Duke, Davidson, Citadel, Virginia . . . dropped by a point to UNC . . . the southern conference tournament and our guys . . . second overall . . .



Don Taylor, Southern Conference Champion in 177 pound class.





Bob Biddle, Southern Conference Champion in heavy weight class.



Steve Vaughn, Southern Conference Champion in 137 pound class.

Steve Vaughn, 137 lbs., Donnie Taylor, 177 lbs., Bob Biddle, heavy weight—southern conference champs . . . Jack Kennedy, 160 lbs.—second in conference . . . Jimmy Dixon, 115 lbs., and freshman Ned Mikula, 191 lbs.—conference thirds . . . once defeated in two seasons—John Hill, 167 lbs.—second in southern conference . . . and others . . . Tom Reynolds, 123 lbs. . . Joe Levine and Bob Gregory, 130 lbs. . . freshman John Donahoe, 152 lbs. . . the season ends . . . a special banquet prepared by the coach's wife at their own expense . . . wrestling team? . . . yeah, man, we've got one . . .



RIFLE



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72 231	SCHOLTES	98	93	96		287
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75 274	LONG	100	95	89		284
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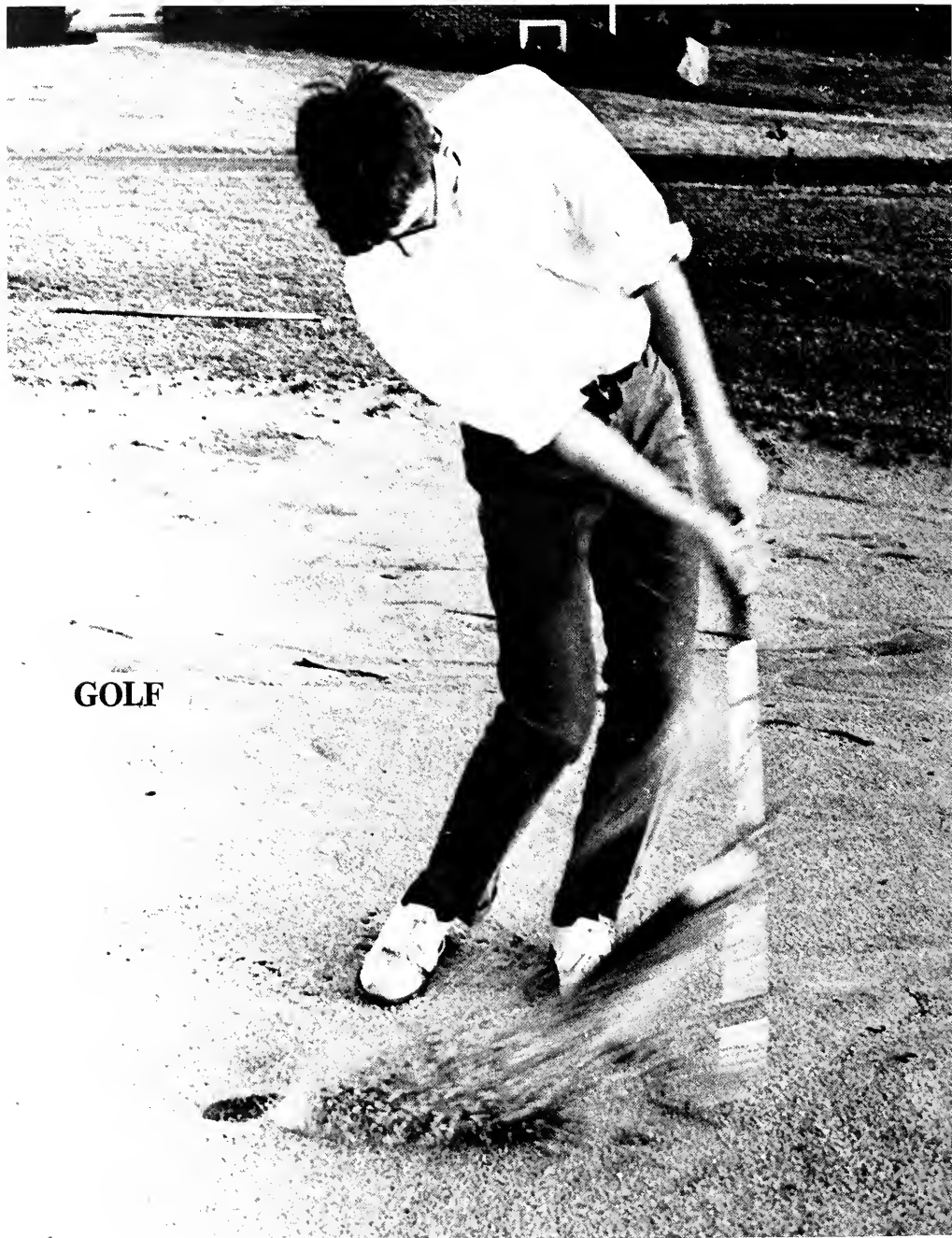


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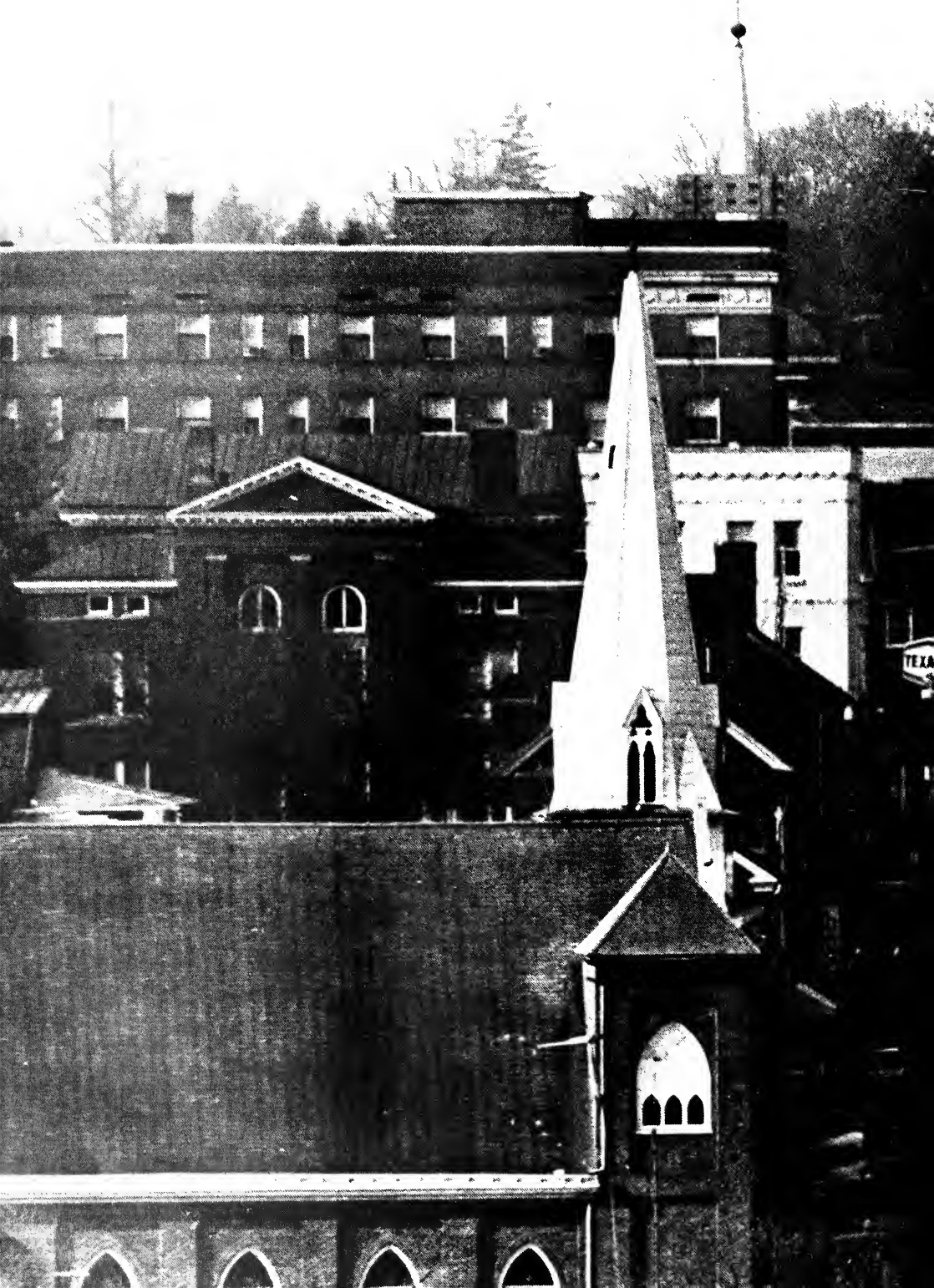
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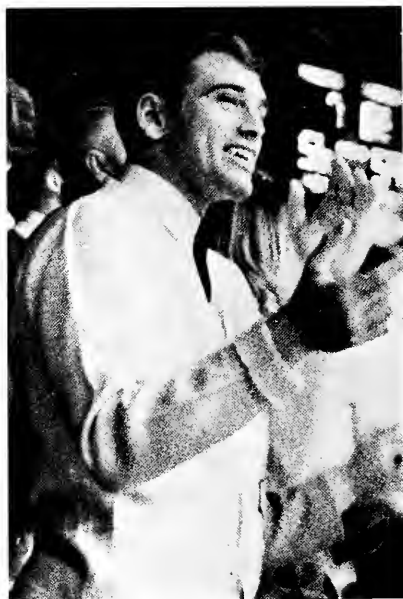
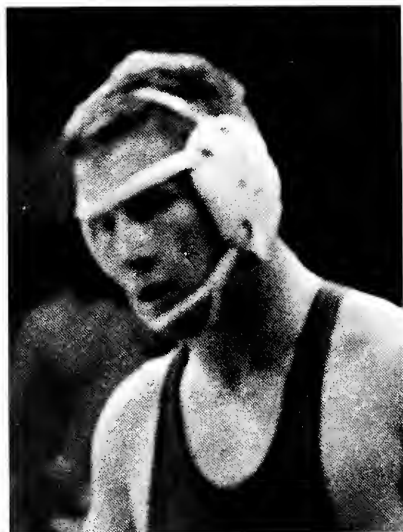
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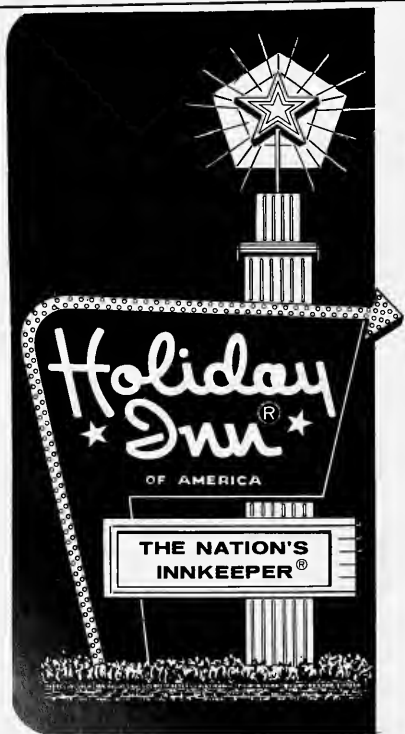
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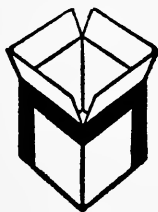
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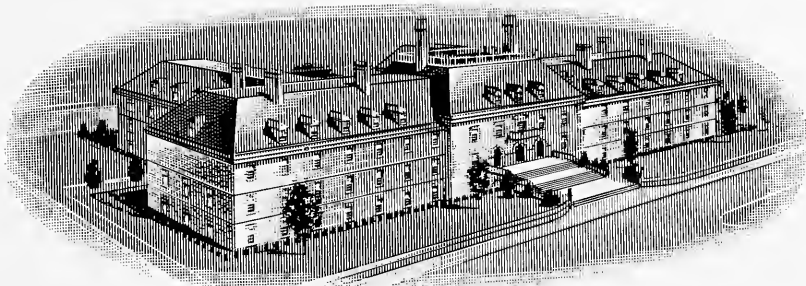
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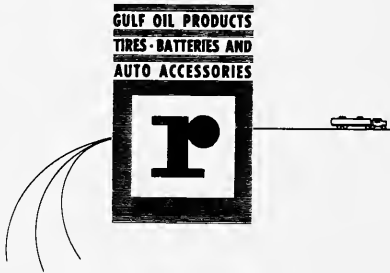


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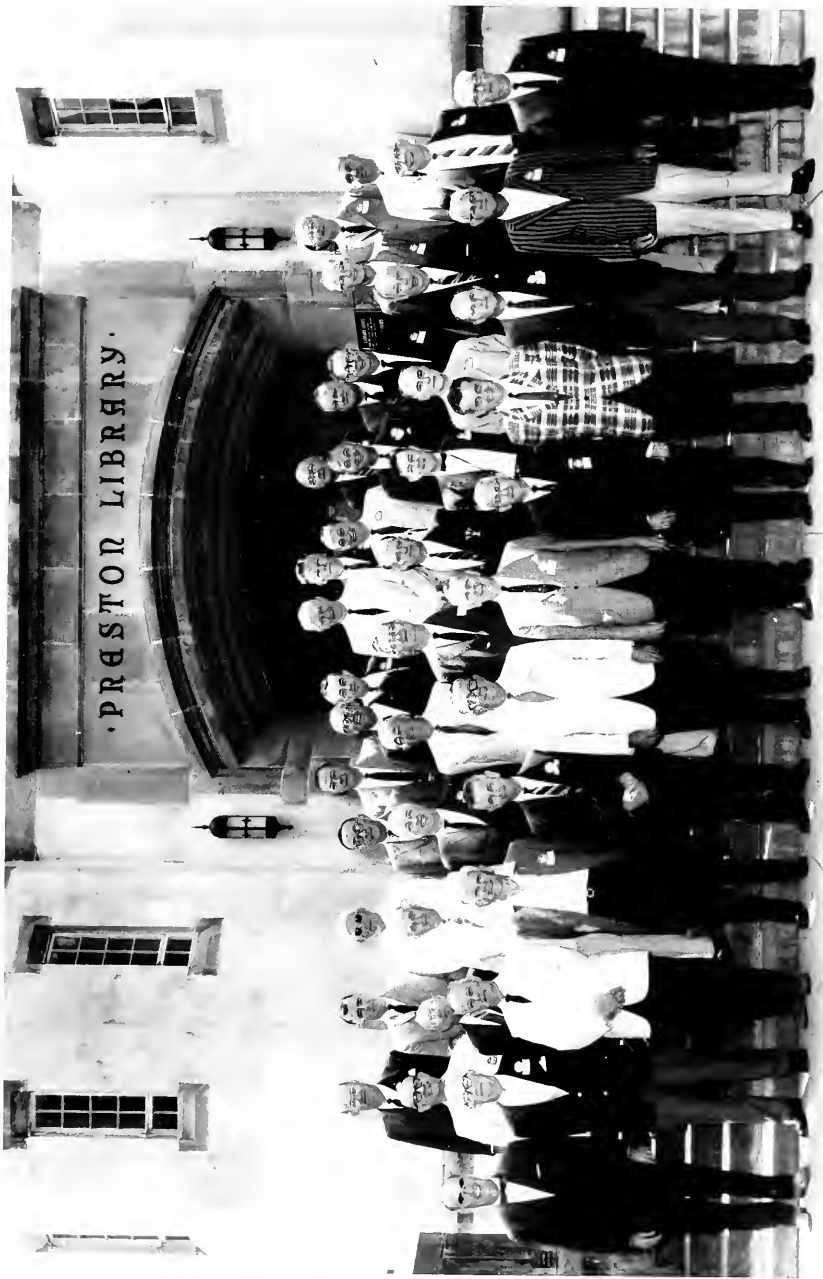
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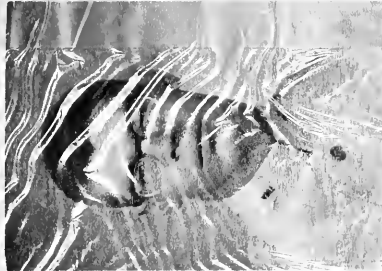
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Just to make this simple, I am attaching a list of those present.
May this, to some small degree, bring back some memories and remind you to
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FINALS 1968

Awards Given To Outstanding During Parades

Military and athletic awards were presented to twenty-one cadets at the first awards review parade at the year on Friday, May 24. The parade was held at the VMI Band Field. General George R. E. Shell, VMI superintendent.

In addition to honors in these fields, the Regimental Band received the VMI Band Donor Trophy for the fourth consecutive year. The band was presented with a plaque by the VMI Band Donor. The highest percentage of contributions to the Red Cross blood program, Cadet Captain T. E. Barton Jr., accepted the award for his company.

Martin Award

The Charles R. Martin '35 award was presented to cadet Captain W. P. Cobb, Echo company commander. This is a memorial to Charles R. Martin, who died in an automobile accident on the day of his graduation, June, 1953. His participation in the parade was the signing of a letter from which is awarded to the graduate accepting a regular commission in the armed forces who has demonstrated special excellence in military studies and outstanding leadership in the company.

Cadet Cobb has also received an Air Force Commendation Award from the Richard H. Lovelace Memorial Award for the outstanding Air Force cadet in the area, and has been named a Distinguished Air Force Graduate. Cobb has conserved the spirit of the award by his participation in the parade.

For and commented that "VPI" will certainly be a big help for flight school."

The sons of the American Revolution annually presents bronze medals to two outstanding members of the graduating class. The recipients of the award are Captain G. C. Williams and W. M. Williams.

Captain G. C. Williams, a cadet at the VMI, is a member of the Jefferson and general excellence."

Air Force Awards

For the outstanding Air Force

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Honorary Brother Rat

MESSAGE FROM BEN

To the Class of 1968:

I had hoped for another

chance to advise you like to

talk but also to say I am sorry

of you, and that the lack of

will always be out for you, at

"Wolf Hollow" (on Rt. 39 west

on the left after Totter's farm).

There will always be coffee at

the VMI. There are other things

Now there are other things

It is so very easy to get along

at times like this that I shall

simply say "thank you" for

adopting me—and for all my

not-the-familial, my sweeter,

you, and a wonderful

experience.

Yours in the bonds,

BROTHER RAT BEN



GEORGE H. ROBERTS, JR.
First Jackson-Hope Medalist

Roberts Wins First

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Winner of the Society of Cincinnati Medal was Guy A. Wilson, a member of the graduating class who has most distinguished himself by efficiency of services and excellence of character throughout his cadetship. His history major has activities which extend beyond the boundaries of the VMI.

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Sounding B. Annual Issue

Now Available

The "Sounding Brass" is now on sale in Lejeune Hall, the Rat PA, and room 347. Due to late publication, the poetry award for this year has been canceled. The fiction award for this year had previously been canceled. The award for the best of fiction submitted to the Sounding Brass staff.

In spite of everything, we feel that this year's Sounding Brass contains much of value. There are stories by Tom Province, Steve Haskins, and Tom Boyd, an essay by VMI cadet, and a wide assortment of poetry by Cadet High Kelly, Bill Boyer, Tappy Jones, and others.

The mere existence of the Sounding Brass at VMI is a gratifying thing, and it is hoped that its readership, and that its staff will enjoy reading it as much as the staff enjoyed compiling it.



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Sunday morning, Rear Adm. James H. Harkness, VMI alumnus, chaplain, delivered the sermon at the commencement service in Jackson Memorial Hall.

One hundred and seventy-two graduates received regular or reserve commissions in the armed forces. The graduates were: 36 Air Force, 12 Marine Corps, 12 Army, 12 Navy, 12 Coast Guard, 12 Air Force, 12 Marine Corps, 12 Army, 12 Navy, 12 Coast Guard.

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Finals Exercises

June 7-9, 1968

FRIDAY, JUNE 7, 1968

CORPS OF CADETS DAY

9:00 a.m. Board of Visitors meeting

3:00 p.m. Review before Board of Visitors for presentation of military and athletic awards, Parade Ground.

4:00 p.m. Presentation of awards in scholastic competition, Superintendent's Office.

8:30 p.m. Superintendent's Reception.

10:00 p.m. Final Ball, William H. Cocke '94 Hall.

SATURDAY, JUNE 8, 1968

ALUMNI DAY

11:00 a.m. Alumni Review, Parade Ground.

11:40 a.m. Annual Meeting, VMI Alumni Association, Jackson Memorial Hall.

12:00 noon Dinner for Corps of Cadets and announcement of appointments in the Regiment of Cadets.

1:30 p.m. Alumni Luncheon, Crozet Hall.

2:30 p.m. Commissioning ceremonies, Jackson Memorial Hall.

3:30 p.m. Graduation Parade, Jackson Memorial Hall.

8:00 p.m. Glee Club Concert, Jackson Memorial Hall.

9:00 p.m. Graduation Hop, William H. Cocke '94 Hall.

SUNDAY, JUNE 9, 1968

GRADUATION DAY

10:00 a.m. Baccalaureate Sermon, Jackson Memorial Hall.

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12:00 p.m. Commencement Exercise, in front of Preston Library.

L'Orange To Be Corps First Capt.

The Superintendent's Office has announced the following promotions in the Regiment: 1) Cadets to become effective upon the return of the Corps from summer training.

TO BE CADET SECOND LIEUTENANTS

- 1 Snow, F. A., Jr.
- 2 Parks, G. M.
- 3 Baker, J. W.
- 4 McGraw, L. W.
- 5 Marks, P. D., Jr.
- 7 Updike, G. W., Jr.
- 8 Hagan, D. B.
- 9 McCall, W. H.
- 10 Marked, G. H.
- 11 Poterella, V. J.
- 12 Butler, H. W., III
- 13 Morris, T. J.
- 14 Hickman, T. L.
- 15 Presta, G. J. W.
- 16 Kennedy, R. C., Jr.
- 17 King, P. D.
- 18 Dean, A. M.
- 19 Griffin, J. D.
- 21 Woods, J. G.
- 22 Roumarchet, W. A.



HENRY C. L'ORANGE
First Captain

TO BE CADET CAPTAINS

- 1 L'Orange, H. C., Regimental Commander
- 2 Novakowski, F. E., Commander, First Battalion
- 3 Keese, O. W., Commander, Second Battalion
- 4 Murray, F. S., III, Regimental S-1
- 5 Zonka, J. W., Commander, Band Company
- 6 Curs, P. A., Regimental S-3
- 7 Healy, R. A., Commander, Company C
- 8 Moore, G. V., III, Commander, Company E
- 9 Tolson, J. P., Commander, Company E
- 10 Harper, M. V., Commander, Company A
- 11 Grever, H. G., Commander, Company F
- 12 Puryear, J. A., Commander, Company G
- 13 Hilsbeck, R. R., Regimental S-4

TO BE CADET FIRST LIEUTENANTS

- 1 Fismas, G. N., 2d Bn S-4
- 2 Lynch, J. G., Jr., 2d Bn S-1
- 3 Spicer, J. R., Jr., 2d Bn S-1
- 4 Hays, R. V., 2d Bn S-4
- 5 Blagier, H. V., 2d Bn S-3
- 6 Bernolds, T. J., II
- 7 Tanner, R. G.
- 8 Babesweh, R. A.
- 9 Griffin, M. L.
- 10 Burroughs, J. R., Jr.
- 11 Sears, W. M., 1st Bn S-1
- 12 Hays, R. V., 2d Bn S-1
- 13 Baurer, R. C., 1st Bn S-3

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'71 Names Its Officers

Essenberg, Davis And Lockridge Are Elected

"71 elected officers the Class of 1971 elected officers to guide them through their 3rd Class year. After debate the 4th Class decided upon Jan Essenberg for President, Al Davis for Vice President, and Bob Lockridge for Secretary.

Jan Essenberg was born in Des Moines, Iowa and went to high school in Warsaw, Indiana. While in high school he played basketball, football and track. He was a distinguished athlete, being a member of the National Honor Society and belonged to the Forensic League which is a debate society.

Jan came to VMI on a basketball scholarship. While at VMI, besides playing basketball, he ran varsity track and was Co-Editor of the yearbook. He was elected for class unity and ran a triathlon.

Al Davis came to VMI from San Antonio, Texas. He is originally from Norfolk where he learned about VMI. While in high school he was a member of the VMI Club. Since coming to VMI Al has taken an active interest being a member of the Sports Staff for the CADET and a member of the Hop and Floor Committee. He is also a Civil



OFFICERS OF THE CLASS OF 1971: Historian Bob Lockridge from Lynchburg, Virginia; President Jan Essenberg, a mathematician major from Warsaw, Indiana; and Vice President Al Davis, a civil engineer from San Antonio, Texas.

Engineer. Al also wants the Class of 71 to run a strong, consistent and equal routine.

Bob Lockridge

Bob is the only one of the class officers to come from Virginia. He comes from Lynchburg and has wanted to come to VMI since he was a freshman in high school. He

Finals Weekend

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so conducted the swimming ceremonies at Saturday's commissioning program. They were Maj. Gen. Paul J. Fontana, USMC; Maj. Gen. John S. Patton, USAF; and Brig. Gen. Lloyd L. Leck, Jr., USA, former VMI cadet cadets.

The VMI Board of Visitors and the Board of Trustees of the VMI Foundation met on Friday at the start of the weekend. A review by the Corps of Cadets for the board was held that afternoon and a presentation of plans and

General and Mrs. Shell were hosts at a reception Friday evening in honor of the 1968 graduates. Following the reception, the Finals Ball was held in the VMI gymnasium with Wilson Proctor and the Villagers playing from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Annual Review
Sunday morning the VMI Alumni Association and VMI Foundation held annual meetings to elect officers and name board members. A review by the Corps at 11 a.m. honored the graduates. The annual meeting was held at 1:30 p.m.

The commissioning ceremonies were held at 2:30 p.m. with the graduation parade an hour later. The VMI Glee Club presented its annual Finals concert in Jackson Memorial Hall at 8 p.m. The Glenn Miller orchestra played from 9 p.m. to 12 midnight at the Graduation Banquet.

Changes In RDC Come Next Year

part in the system.

The manner in which meetings are to be conducted has also been changed. There will be more efficient, shorter, and fairer

Company Representatives

The company representatives are standing committee members, however, they will not attend every meeting. Periodically it will be their first classman to represent their company. There is to be no participation of the entire class in the RDC. The individual company representatives are as follows: Co. A—Dave Bush; Co. B—Al Pond; Co. C—Nick Pinaus; Co. D—John Gibson; Co. E—Mike Simcox; Co. F—Mike Giles; Band Co.—Bill San

Corps Unity

The new president said, "this coming year will be unique in a different way for VMI. However, this does not mean that the Rat system must adjust; there is no change in the Rat system. The RDC hopes that each member will be honored enough to accept any change and will not attempt any "solve problems" by himself. Next year, more than ever, will require the Corps to work together.

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FRANK EASTERLY
President of the First Class

ties; it's function is limited to the determination of guilt or innocence by a simple majority.

In another related change, Easterly announced that the defendant may request at the discretion of the First Class President, that the Plaintiff appear at the trial. The defendant will then have the right to question the plaintiff; however, he must do this himself; he will not be allowed other counsel. Similarly, to expediate proceedings, cadets may place themselves on confinement and the PT list without appearing before the committee. Should a cadet wish to answer a card correct, they may report this to their respective class president and avoid an after Taps appearance before the Committee.

A more detailed report of Committee procedures related to these changes will be circulated among the Corps as early as possible after the Corps returns this fall.

Yesterday afternoon Frank B. Easterly, First Class President, announced sweeping changes in the 1969 General Committee. The changes, based on a proposal by a class Research Committee, amount to the greatest change in the General Committee in over ten years. The new format is designed to "foster active Corps participation" and counter the "current apathy and dissatisfaction prevalent within the Corps toward the present General Committee." The new structural changes, which were approved by the First Class by a four-to-one majority, will apply only to the G. C.; they will not be initially used for either the Executive Committee or the Rat Disciplinary Committee.

Jury System
The main innovation is the installation of a jury system to determine guilt or innocence. The General Committee Proper will investigate and review each case and assess penalties, after a randomly selected jury of cadets has determined a cadet guilty.

The jury, which will rotate completely from meeting to meeting, will be comprised of a 5-3-3 ratio of First, Second and Third Class men. "Jury blocks" will be randomly selected either fifteen or twenty at a time and posted well in advance of the actual meeting.

Compulsory Duty
Jury duty will be compulsory; only those cadets directly involved in a case to be tried or who can show sufficient academic reason (i.e. a test next day) will be excused from serving. This duty is considered both a privilege and a responsibility, such as all duty status privileges such as all duty status will be granted.

The jury will not assess penalties.

Kennedy Heads Monogram Club

On Tuesday night of this week the Monogram Club elected officers for next year. Jack Kennedy, who wrestled in the 160 lb. class will be the new president, while John Mitchell who started at guard for the basketball team, and Julian Smith who was a defensive back on the football team, will be vice president and secretary - treasurer respectively.

When asked about the club's plans for next year, Jack Kennedy, who will co-plain next year's wrestling team, said that one of the major goals will be to get a Monogram Room for the Club. He also hopes to schedule showings of films of next year's football games for the entire corps and to raise money for the club, possibly staging a variety show. Also, club banquets will be held for monogram winners of the various teams.

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Captain West To Leave VMI Over Summer

An honorary Brother Rat of the Class of 1965 and the man to whom the 1965 Bomb was dedicated has announced that he is leaving VMI this summer.

Captain James C. West, a member of the Tactical staff and Air Force ROTC instructor has accepted a job as head of a nine-man trust department for a bank in San Angelo, Texas. Captain West recently graduated from the Washington and Lee Law School. Originally from Greeley, Colorado, Captain West was Regimental Commander and the Prospector of the Honor Court while at VMI. After graduation in 1963, he served an overseas tour of duty in Germany and then returned to VMI and began his law studies.

Interview
Commenting upon the pleasant aspects of his years as a VMI Tac, Captain West notes, "I enjoyed working with cadets. That's the thing I enjoy the most." He states that the thing he concerned himself with most is that, "The Honor System remains the same. I don't think VMI, unless there is some radical change, will ever be basically different from what it is today. It's such a unique school that I don't think Virginia can afford to change it, because it stands in such good stead with both the state and the nation."

Cadet Corps
Captain West feels that, "Cadets today are probably better than when I was a member of the Corps. I think they're better militarily, it's hard to believe, maybe, and academically." He sees a general academic improvement within the last ten years.

Regarding the entry next year, of VMI's first Negro cadets, the officer believes that there will be no change as early as possible after the Corps returns this fall.



CAPTAIN WEST, an officer, gentleman, and an outstanding example of former cadet; terminates an Air Force career this weekend, having served as a tactical officer for the last three years. (Interview by Naselli)

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Who, Where, What

By Lea and McLemore

"Belt Line '68" is a directory to the Brother Rats of the Class of '68. We have tried to include a brief summary of what each graduate plans to do in the next year, making it easy for them to keep tabs on their Brother Rats. BARRY ARCHER has been employed by the U. S. Army at the position of killer. He is scheduled to report for infantry training at Ft. Benning on December 2, 1968. HOWARD ANDERS is planning on marrying Sue Sensenbough as soon as he straightens out his reporting date with the army. He is supposed to get his orders for in-fantry school soon.

RICK ANDERSON is headed for Purdue to pursue his studies in nuclear physics. He has managed to give both the USMC and the girls the slip.

RICK ANDRASSY has a busy schedule set for himself. Before continuing his studies at MCV he is marrying Stephanie Semaog on the 2nd of August in New Providence, New Jersey. Following medical school, Rick wants to go regular Air Force and become a flight surgeon.

ANDY ANDREWS major is marriage to Bonnie Lou Bradley on August 10th in Herndon, Virginia. He is planning on going armor but he has not received his orders yet.

JACK ANDREWS will have the summer free before reporting to armor school in September.

TOM ARENSDORF has army artillery in store for him starting June 10, 1969. Until then he is being employed as a highway engineer in Montgomery County, Maryland.

TONY AVETA has been employed as a test engineer at the Kearney Works of the Western Electric Manufacturing Division. He is scheduled to report for Air Defense Artillery at Ft. Bliss, Texas on the 5th of June 1969.

JOHN BALCH will be leaving for Denver, Colorado just as soon as he picks up his diploma. He'll be stationed at the Air Force base at the Mile High City.

JACK BAREFORD will report for Army Artillery training at Ft. Sill Okla., next May. He is not sure what he is going to do until then. He might get married.

FINLEY BARFIELD is planning nuptials sometime in the near future. The lucky lady is Miss Diane Bauser. He will report to Wright-Patterson AFB on the 27th of June 1968.

BRYAN BARTON has no plans for the future other than his date in June of '69 for armor training at Ft. Knox.

SONNY BEIRNE is going to bag it for a while. CHARLIE BESENFELDER will walk the aisle with Miss Cathleen

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EDITORIALS

Trial By Brother Rat

Thursday morning the Class of 1968 voted into existence a totally new concept in the enforcement of class privileges and the maintenance of the traditional standards of the Corps of Cadets. It is perhaps one of the most significant changes in Cadet life to occur in several years, and, we feel, will result in strengthening of the Corps as a body and of classes within the Corps.

In particular, cadets will now enjoy that particular right denied under military justice as we see it administered from the Commandant's Office: that, being trial by jury. The Corps will return next year to find itself on a jury roster, "trial by Brother Rat" will be a reality. The First Class President will select a 5-3-3 jury from the upper three classes (see story page one) and everyone will sooner or later find himself a part of what has come to be derisively called the "Good To Me Sky Rocket."

A Word To '71

The months of April, May, and June are a time in which something of a vacuum exists at VMI. An important segment of cadet life is missing—one Rat Line is no longer with us. New Cadets have been officially Fourth Classmen for over a month now, and each year in barracks is thinking about how next year's Rat Line can be an improvement over this year's.

This, we feel, is good, for decisions and plans ought to be made now. Waiting until the fall leads only to the creation of disturbances and the seemingly all but inevitable breaks in cherished class unity. Before such decisions can be made, however, some very serious thinking must also be done.

Next year's Rat Line is of vital concern to the rising Third Class, for it is they, more than any others, who will be responsible for its enforcement. We urge these men to take as mature and objective a view of the Rat System as possible, and not merely to vehemently enforce it indiscriminately simply

"Throw The Bums Out"

by

James J. Kilpatrick

Virginia newspaper editor and syndicated columnist James J. Kilpatrick says "throw the bums out" in commenting on the college rioters.

Last night (Monday, May 27), on the "ABC Evening News with Frank Reynolds," Mr. Kilpatrick stated:

"The recent insurrections on American college campuses have had two disgraceful aspects. One is the lawless conduct of the students, the other is the pusillanimous conduct of the college administrations at Columbia . . . and elsewhere.

"The student revolutionaries somehow got into their empty heads that they had a right to attend the University on their own terms. No such right ever has existed under moon or sun.

"It is too bad, of course, that some of the heads of students collided with the nightsticks of police. But whose fault was this? The students could have left the Columbia buildings when they were first asked to leave. They chose to remain . . . in defiance of law.

"What is the rule for dealing with obstreperous bums? The rule is to throw the bums out. And high time it was too!

"The Columbia revolutionaries had other

It was the decision of the Class of 1969 Research Committee, that has worked on this revision for nearly two years, that a great deal of Corps-wide apathy and distrust of the General Committee was due to ignorance and misunderstanding. We could not concur more heartily. The Committee is no longer in danger of becoming either stilted or elitish.

With the whole Corps participating actively, we feel that there can no longer be any excuse for unpopularity and misunderstood decisions. We do not expect that all the people will be pleased all of the time, but we do hope that greater class pride and privilege enforcement, or primary importance, maximum utilization of the Executive Committee framework, will result.

For the first time in years a First Class President has had the foresight to study the GC carefully and his committee has been equally careful in screening class privileges. Rat restrictions and other GC regulations. We feel that they are more in line with current opinion and needs than any we have seen as Cadets. We view this as a major step, by the Class, is asserting significant, imaginative leadership.

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because they have just gone through its rigors. To do so is to destroy the purpose of the System.

It one strains Rats, plagues them with Rat Bible questions, or generally makes life difficult for them only because one was similarly harassed a few months before, nothing is accomplished. These things should be done to teach self-discipline, comradeship, and all the other good lessons capable of being called from the Rat System—they should not be done merely because a man happens to be a Rat.

Rising third classes, however, are renowned for having notoriously short memories. Perhaps the Class of 1971 can quickly prove its worth by being the first class in a long time to enforce the Rat Line largely because it believes in it, and not largely just because it is there.

MM

Editor's Note:

This editorial was printed last year as a message to the Class of '70. We think it just as apt for this year's rising Third Class.

gaudy notions. They invaded the office of President Kirk and scrawled obscenities on the walls. This was free speech. They mailed his files and published his private letters. Free Press. They fashioned a mob and called it. One assumes peaceable assembly.

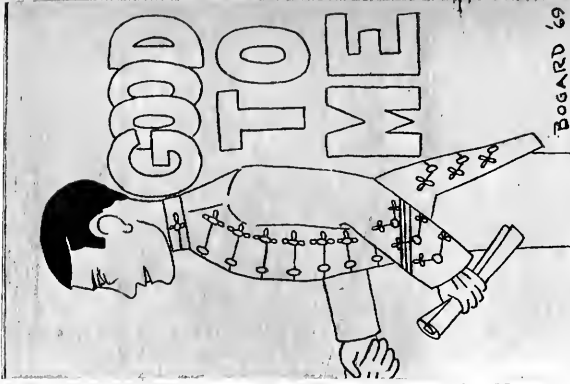
"This is baloney, since it as you may. This gang of seagreen incorruptibles . . . professing 'democracy' . . . God save the mark, simply trampled upon the rights of other students. Civilized protest had no place in their plans. Reasoned assent had no appeal.

"This was a planned insurrection. The participants ought first to be expelled, and then prosecuted to the limit of the law.

"Faculty members who join such revolts are equally guilty. They know . . . or ought to know . . . that academic freedom depends upon order first of all.

"The foam rubber college presidents who have capitulated under pressure ought to be fired out of hand. There's the largest failure. To be sure, many university administrators are out of touch with their students. Doubtless reforms should be made. This is another matter entirely.

"If Columbia, and the other colleges, cannot make clear the difference between rigorous dissent and violent anarchy . . . if they cannot teach the meaning of ordered liberty . . . they may as well close up for good. For they will not deserve to survive."



Letter . . . '68 Bomb

Monogram Club . . . where's the hands and arms . . . Rat spots? Pop 'Rallies'? . . . Shooting the . . . 9's shoes . . . lack of imagination in the BOMM . . . cut . . . seven shots of the Corps . . . SCS? . . . The game with a heading ball . . . BOMM . . . pile of dung . . . Teeth game and . . . BOMM . . . The Supr., a chicken, boxes, and . . . BOMM . . . Julian injured . . . Co-captains of exposed . . . an outrage! the round ball spots? . . . pseudo intellectual . . . busy pictures . . .

STEPHEN A. VAUGHAN

Pvt., 1st Class

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the Air Force in the distant future.

TROLL BOYER has a definite aversion to marriage. Instead, he will work for the ABC Beard as a salesman. He will report for Army Basic in January of '69.

TERRY BOWERS is going to get hitched to Joyce Marie Nellis in August. Then, he'll be off to U. Va. to do graduate work in Electrical Engineering. This summer, he will be employed as an engineer by Potomac Edison.

BILL BRAGG will work for Bambergers, New Jersey as an executive trainee until February, '69 when he'll report for armor training at Ft. Knox, Kentucky. Bill plans to marry Karen DeSorio sometime in the next year.

HERB BRASINGTON will be at Patrick AFB, Cape Kennedy, Florida after June 28th, 1968.

RICK BROTHERS will see his dreams come true at MCV in September, where he will begin his study to become a General Practitioner.

JOHN BRYANT plans to go to MCV to study medicine in September.

MEL (the Marine) BUCHANAN swears never to get married. Instead, he is hiring out as a killer for the USMC.

TERRY BULL will wait one day before marrying Miss Melinda Wood in Lynchburg. This summer, he will work as a naval architect for the Norfolk Naval Shipyard in Portsmouth, and do part-time graduate work in Civil Engineering at Old Dominion. On his first Anniversary, he will report to Ft. Belvoir, Illinois.

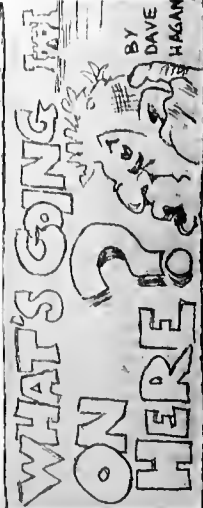
JIM BURG plans on working for Bambergers, N. J. until April of '69. He will then report for armor training at Ft. Knox. Meanwhile, he will have married Miss Patti Passinger in Rahway, New Jersey.

JIM BURN will major in dentistry at MCV before reporting to the Dental Corps in July, 1972.

CHARLES BURTON has been employed by the Virginia Department of Highways as a Construction Survey Trainee. Tentative plans call for him to report for Air Force Pilot Training between November, 1968 and February, 1969.

RICH BURTON will report for Field Artillery training at Ft. Sill on the 4th of February, 1969. After the service, he will work as a

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well worn, almost trite; late study, weekends etc. Their fresh presentation every year is becoming another of our traditions. (one we are less than proud of). With some changes in the regulations that control our life, morale and applications might rise. Academic and military aspects would both benefit. There is no real hurry though, if done within ten years our school might live to wait for the changes.

CORRECTION

In the last column it was stated that the cancelled Glee Club tour had been given tentative approval in November. This was the result of a misunderstanding. No approval was given by the Superintendent to the Glee Club tour of May 17th at any time. I regret this error.

Captain West

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problem of integration within the Corps. "The problem," he says, "may arise from outside publicity that will precede matriculation." Captain West has served as Echo Company Tactical officer for several years. Although this is an excellent opportunity to work with cadets, he thinks that the position demands a full time officer who can receive personal complaints and suggestions from the company members. "It's necessary to have a rapport with the student in the classroom. Sometimes when a man is a Tac officer that rapport is impossible."

Spirit of '68

One of the most outstanding examples of Corps unity that the officer has seen in ten years at the Institute was the work of the Spirit of '68 Committee. "The spirit which had started last fall initially through the efforts of a few, and carried over the whole Corps was tremendous. I've never seen it any better. My first class year we went undefeated, but it wasn't as good even then. It would behoove everybody to realize that this should be carried on."

Rank

One major difference from Captain West's cadetship is, he feels, the growing gap between rankers and privates. He states that during his cadetship, a general gripe session was held weekly in which any member of the corps could express his complaints to the Regimental Staff. "Rankers represent the Corps. They have a responsibility to the Corps and to VMI but I think that the idea has arisen in the last three or four years that the Corps is not an integrated whole."

As he leaves VMI, Captain West notes a typical change in attitude. "I swore when I graduated, like everybody else, that I would never come back and here I am. As a cadet you spend four years trying to change VMI and the rest of your life making sure it's never changed." Most importantly he hopes that within the military system, the cadet will always be recognized as an individual and always treated as such. As for good-byes, West says, "I don't believe in goodbyes."

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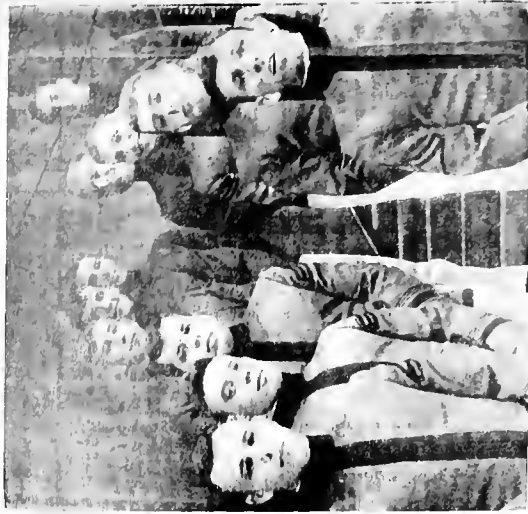
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As a result of their academic and military achievements at VMI and their distinction at ROTC summer camp, the following will graduate as Distinguished Military Graduates of the Virginia Military Institute at the completion of their ROTC camp this summer.

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Sylvia Wilkinson Talks To VMI English Society



Sylvia Wilkinson, one of the few women novelists to speak at VMI, addressed the English Society and guests on Tuesday night, May 21, in the candlelit Scott Ship Hall. The author has written two novels, *Moss on the North Side* and *A Killing Frost*.

Miss Wilkinson graduated from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro before doing graduate work at Hollins College and Stanford (where she studied under a Wallace Stegner Scholarship). She has taught creative writing at both William and Mary and the University of North Carolina.

A Killing Frost

In her lecture the novelist read the first chapter of her second novel *A Killing Frost* and selections from a journal written at four different ages in her teens. Miss Wilkinson stressed the importance of character in her novels and showed, in subsequent readings, how she established a fictional personality.

She also pointed out how several specific characters were patterned after real people. A question and answer period followed which explored other aspects of her work.

Age Twelve

Writing, with Miss Wilkinson, has been a lifetime pursuit. "I decided when I was a little bitty kid, that I was going to write. I have never been anything but sure of it," during her lecture the novelist showed her gradual development as a writer, reading a series of character sketches written at the ages of 14, 16 and 18. She stated that her first draft of *Moss on the North Side*, written in pencil, was begun at the age of twelve. The chief problem of a teenage writer is, to her, "a familiar one." At that age, no one could possibly take you seriously."

College

Miss Wilkinson noted that it was at college that her writing was first taken seriously. This, coupled with the "personal freedom and the tremendous jolt" of a college atmosphere produced an environment for writing. She says that the first part of *Moss* was completed

MISS SYLVIA WILKINSON, a currently popular novelist and teacher at the University of North Carolina, addressed the English Society in the last week before exams.

in her year of graduate work at Hollins and the complete manuscript was finished at Asheville-Baltimore. She believes that her greatest influence was Wilfred Jarrell, a college teacher. Miss Wilkinson remembers that while at Hollins she visited what she thought was VMI. Later she realized that this was an unfortunate mistake—she had been to Blacksburg.

: Character and Plot
In her Tuesday lecture the novelist mentioned that character delineation has always superseded a

IRC Plans To Expand

The IRC, under the direction of its new officers, John Robins, president; Thornton Newton, first vice-president; Ed Holmes, second vice-president; and secretary; and Dave Tribolet, treasurer, plans to continue the club's activities of past years adding some new events to the agenda.

The club's primary interest is the study of national and international policy and affairs. Its efforts will include trips to Washington, D. C. and Richmond, and lectures by speakers from embassies.

The past participation in the model UN in New York and the Hollins Mock Security Council will be continued this year and augmented by the sponsoring of prominent speakers and perhaps a banquet.

Sr. Retirements Approved

The early retirements of Col. Leslie German, professor of chemistry and department head, and Col. John S. Jamison, Jr., professor of electrical engineering and department head, were approved Friday at a meeting of the Board of Visitors. The retirements are effective July 27.

Colonel German was graduated from Central College and holds a master's degree from Lafayette College. He received his doctor of philosophy degree from the University of Cincinnati in 1933. He was an instructor in chemistry at VMI for two years before returning to graduate school in 1930.

After a two-year period as a research chemist, he returned to VMI in 1935 as assistant professor of chemistry. He was promoted to associate professor and acting department head in 1940 and two years later was named professor of chemistry and department head.

He is the co-author of a laboratory textbook and one on general chemistry. Colonel German is a member of the American Chemical Society, Alpha Phi Sigma, Virginia Academy of Science, and American Association for Advancement of Science. See RETIREMENTS Page 12

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GEORGE BUZZARD will take on part-time graduate study at Madison, where he is teaching at Fishburn Military School.

JOHN BYRD will marry Margaret Anne Furney on the 17th of August and pass the next six months waiting to report to Armor Basic at Ft. Knox.

PAUL CHAMBERLIN will report to Ft. Sill, Oklahoma on the 21st of June 1968 for Field Artillery Training. After the service law school is in store for him.

JOHN CHAPLA will enter Infantry training on the 23rd of June at Ft. Bragg, North Carolina. John is planning on making the Army a career.

HOWIE CHAPMAN will work for the Virginia Department of Highways this summer. In September he will enter the University of South Carolina graduate school to study Transportation Engineering on an assistantship.

DAVE CLARK has Flight School in his future. He will report for training in Texas in October 1968. He is employed as a field engineer by the New Jersey Department of Transportation.

BILL COBE will marry Miss Victoria V. Sinclair on the 13th of June in Franklin, Virginia. He will report to Air Force Flight School in Schna, Alabama on July 12. Bill is planning a career in the Air Force.

RANDY COOK will enter the Air Force sometime this summer, if he is off room confinement by then.

RON COWARDIN plans on majoring in Education at U. Va. this fall. After grad school he reports to the service in July of 1970. He will enter the Medical Corps or the Infantry.

BOB CRENSHAW's Army career will commence on the 10th of August when he begins Infantry Basic Training.

JOHN CRIM has been employed as a Sanitary E. I. T. by Gamette, Fleming, Corddry, and Carpenter. He is unsure of his Air Force reporting date.

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Sept. at Ft. Benning, Ga. TOM HICKEY plans to do graduate work at U. Va. in electrical engineering. This summer, he will be a Junior Electronics Engineer for Cornell Arrowhead.

RICK HILL plans to go to MCV and study dentistry. BOGIE HOLLAND plans to work for Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner, and Smith, Inc. until he reports for Armor Basic in April of 1969.

CRAIG HOWLAND is going to make the Marine Corps his life work starting in July with training at Quantico.

VIC HAUNG will enter the U. Va. grad school in electrical engineering in September.

DOC HYATT will report in April of 1969 for Air Defense Artillery training at Ft. Bliss, Texas. He has no definite plans for Summer employment.

STEVE HUBBARD has no plans. JERRY JONES is planning on majoring in marketing at Wharton Grad School.

JOHNNY JOHNSTON plans to tie the knot with Miss Neville Blair Jones in Raleigh, North Carolina on the 21st of September. He has been employed as a manager-trainee by W. S. Peebles & Company. John will report for Armor training on the 31st of March 1969.

REV JONES and Miss Dottie Davis will be wed on August 24, 1968 in Washington, Virginia. Rev plans to attend W&L Law School this fall.

AL JACKSON has been employed as a Field Engineer by General Electric.

WALT JEFFRESS plans on attending W&L Law School before beginning his tour with the Judge Advocate General Corps. He will report for duty at Ft. Lee in Petersburg on the 19th of June 1968.

CREIGH KELLY has been employed by the VMI Foundation as its Secretary. He will report for field training on the 10th of June

Brick Sale To Finance Ring Figure

With Ring Figure approaching, the Third Class has come up with an unusual way to make money for this long awaited and very expensive event. At a meeting of the class, Randy Taylor suggested that they obtain the bricks from the demolished Alumni Hall and sell them. At first, this struck an indelible note with the members of the class. However, given a moment to ponder the idea, most people thought it totally unique.

Approval Following up the idea of a brick collection, Randy went to see Col. Simpson and Col. Hanes, who gave him the final approval. On the following day, with a truck obtained from Buildings and Grounds, the Class of '70 set about the task of collecting bricks.

About 1500 bricks have been collected. The plan is to clean these bricks, put a small brass plaque on them, and then shellac the whole thing. At present, no slogan has been chosen to be placed on the plaques, suggestions are still open.

The advertising aspect has not been overlooked. The Third Class is in the process of sending out fliers to most of the 9000 active alumni. The Class hopes to promote an interest in this project so it will make the job of selling them in Lejeune Hall over Finals easier.

Alumni Reaction Randy Taylor has talked to various alumni and the response to this scheme is varied, but generally good. These alumni think that they will make good paperweights, doorstops, or just conversation pieces.

At present, no price has been set for the bricks and the Third Class is considering depending upon generous contributions and donations from alumni in return for the bricks.

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Alpha Company finished second in Commandant's Cup competition followed by Delta, Echo, Foxtro, and Bravo in that order. Band Company is excluded from this competition.

Charlie Company's first ranking sergeant Frank Novakowski said: "Speaking on behalf of Walt, I would like to say that our success was the result of a united effort and belongs to everyone in the company."

Garnett Andrews competition is based on the military aspects of company activity. This includes performance at parades, guard mounts, guard teams drill and the live. Commandant's Cup stresses intramurals, pull-ups and other physical activities.

Billy Cobb's Echo Company finished second in Garnett Andrews competition followed by Bravo Company captained by Denay Long, third; Band Company led by

Sylvia Wilkinson

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she is and what she is. And any-thing from there on out has got to be a part of her. I think she will let's her will. It's a character plot rather than a story plot."

Pick Up

Her forthcoming book, unlike the others, will be written from the point of view of a young boy. Although she does derive her character from her own life, she says that her basic motive is to "put yourself in the situation of what would happen if I was a boy and I wanted to pick up a girl at the State Fair."

Miss Wilkinson is presently a coeditor of the VMI Yearbook, UNC. In other words, she is able to read and write, she needs, "a special drive." She no longer believes that a writer can make money and this is perhaps the initial advice she gives to her students. "I see no way to get out of it," she says. "Now with a girl, it's a little different; she can marry a guy and let him support her if she wants to operate that way."

According to the novelist, the long involved process of publication is an important task which she has to face. She has many memories how she was advanced \$1000 by the publisher to add a love story to her first book, but she was unable to do it. "There are," she says "usually three or four rejections for every acceptance. It was a thrill, at least for me, to re-

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DENNY LONG will join the 82nd Airborne Division at Ft. Bragg on the 15th of June.
JACK LONG will attend Law School at the University of Georgia this fall after working as Civil Activities Director in Legation, Hanoi, Vietnam.
TODD MCCLUSH will start in Infantry basic at Ft. Benning on the 4th of November, 1968.

BOB MACPHERSON will join the Recon Marines at Quantico, Virginia on the 15th of June 1968. On July 26th he will marry Miss Margaret McQuinn in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
CHUCK MADONN will do grad work in civil engineering at U. Va. this fall.

RICHARD MARTINEZ will re-join for active duty with the Air Force this July in Washington, D.C.

BOB McDOWELL will be married to Miss Lisa Shelby on the 11th of June in Padu, Pa. He will work as a management trainee at the Kennecott Refining Corp. in Baltimore, this summer and will return for duty to Keeler AFB on the 15th of September.

MIKE MICHAELSON has a job as a research chemist with duPont this summer and will enter the University of Cincinnati where he will begin work on his Ph.D. in Chemistry this fall.

STEVE MILLER is looking forward to studying in graduate school in the University of British Columbia this fall.
BOB MILLS hopes to attend helicopter school after his basic Armor training at Ft. Knox, which should begin in March, 1969.

VANCE MITCHELL will work for the Corps of Engineers until he is called to report for Air Force basic training.
BOB MITCHELL will share duties with Susan Lynn Jovin in St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Lexington on June 10, 1968. John plans to take it easy until the first of July when he plans to report to the School of Ordnance in Texas, to make a career in the Army.

DAVE O'CONNOR will join the 82nd Airborne Division at Ft. Bragg on the 23rd of June.
WES PADGETT will marry Miss Suzanne Cook on the 25th of June at Langley Air Force Base, after a short ceremony which will be held in the chapel at Fort Belvoir to Randolph AFB in Texas to begin his service career.
PHIL PAULS will attend the University of Virginia for graduate study in law next fall. Phil has a civil service job for the summer. He plans to enter the Air Force on the 1st of September. PHIL PIZZAGH will study Space Science at Rice University next fall.

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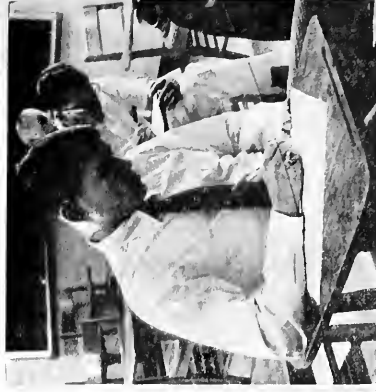
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VALEDCOTMAN GEORGE SQUIRES is shown here taking his GERMANY exam last Wednesday afternoon. Squires was suspended from the Institute last week for excess demerits, but was allowed to return to VMI to complete his exams out of uniform.

George W. Squires Suspended, Will Not Give His Valdecotry

George Warner Squires, first-ranking cadet in his class academically and the elected Valdecotry of this year's graduating class, was suspended for two weeks ago for "an excessive number of demerits." His suspension nullified his "going to the U. S. to study with the Su-standards as a cadet" and his elected position of Valdecotryman is no longer recognized by the school administration.

Within the next week and a half, Cadet Squires was again excess, this time from two reports, one of which was a second player on during CQ and had been suspended for not taking room orderly in turn. After a final meeting with the Superintendent, Squires was suspended; that is, not allowed to play in the barracks or return to the past to participate in the commencement exercises. He was allowed to take his exams out of uniform on June 15, at the end of the session. President of the Class of '68, Ad Hagen, declared that "no other Valdecotry will be elected, and there will be no address."

Excess For Semester

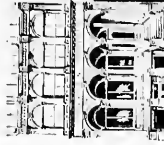
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KEN PENNINGTON will marry Donna Gail Harris in Alexandria on the 15th of June. In August, he will report to Champaign, Ill. for Air Force basic.

KEN PERKINS will become a Princeton man this fall and will try his hand at graduate work in Near Eastern studies.

BOB PHILOPOT will be wed to Miss Marion B. Brooke in Lexington on the 21st of September. On the 7th of July, Bob will begin basic at Chanute AFB, in Illinois.
FRANK PINZOTTO will report for Air Force Flight School after a year's study of business administration at the University of Pittsburgh. Frank will work with the New Jersey Department of Transportation this summer.

JIM POOLEY will begin his Army career at Infantry Basic at Ft. Benning in August.

STEVE POWERS will marry Evelynne Industries in East Brunswick, New Jersey on the 13th of July. Steve plans to work as a Structural Design Engineer for the Reading Railroad until he has to report for artillery training at Ft. Sill in May of 1969.

TOM PROVINCE will marry Miss Janet, Sue Brown on August 10th in Orange, Va. Tom will return to Lexington next fall to study law at W&L.

PAUL QUILLEN will begin work as a field engineer for General Electric at a starting salary of \$9,120.

DICK RANKIN plans to wed Miss Janet Sue Clay on the 17th of August in Greenbelt, Maryland. He will join the Finance Corps on the 20th of April, 1969. Until then, he plans to work for C&P telephone of Virginia in Richmond.

JAY REEVES will make Miss Patricia A. Smith his bride on the 16th of June and will return to Lexington for Law School at W&L next September.

LES RIDOUT plans to work for First Merchants National Bank in Richmond until he has to report for Armor school in summer of '69.

SKIP ROBERTS will take Miss Kay Temple as his bride on the 16th of June in Petersburg. Skip plans to attend U. Va. Law School next Fall and plans to enter the

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Air Force on completion of his studies.

WILLY ROBINSON plans to marry Miss Emily Gillespie in Norfolk in December. Willy also plans to attend graduate school, but is uncertain where.

LARRY RYAN is going RA and will report to the 82nd Airborne on the 9th of June at Ft. Bragg.

MIKE SARTORI will wed Miss Martha E. Beale on the 12th of June. Six days later he will report for duty at Williams AFB.

BOB SCHMALZRIEDT and Miss Diane de Lornier will be wed at 7:00 p.m. on the 8th of June at St. Patrick's Church in Lexington. Bob has been employed as a Group Insurance Agent by the Aetna Life Insurance Company. On reporting for duty in May 1969, Bob will go into Army Ordinance.

DAVE SCHNEIDER will attend University of Richmond Law School this fall.

T. A. SHOWALTER will enter the Air Force on the 4th of October 1968 at Matthews Air Force Base in California.

PAUL SIMMONS will wed Miss Peggy Bunn on the 10th of August in Newsoms, Virginia. He has been employed as an English teacher at the Southampton County Correctional Farm. He will enter Armor Basic on the 31st of March 1969.

JAY SLAUGHTER and Miss Sharon Shortell will be wed on the 30th of November 1968 in Bayville, Long Island. He will report for Artillery training on the 24th of April 1969.

AL SLEDD will report to Seymour-Johnson AFB for his basic training on June 15th.

CRAIG SMITH has been employed as a civilian engineer by the Corps of Engineers. He will report to Armor school on the 30th of June, 1969.

GARLAND SPRINKLE is to wed Miss Nancy Stewart on the 15th of May 1969 in Anderson, Indiana. He is employed by Eastern Chemical Products as a Field Salesman. He will be inducted into the Army Artillery at some time in the near future.

GEORGE SQUIRES has been employed as a teacher by the Head Start program in Richmond this summer. He will enter Duke University this fall where he will begin work on his doctorate in history.

ROB STEELE has been employed by Wiley & Wilson of Lynchburg as a Civil Engineer. He will report to Artillery School at Ft. Sill on the 24th of June 1969.

LARRY STEWSON is to be inducted into the Naval Air Reserve in Pensacola, Florida on the 3rd of September.

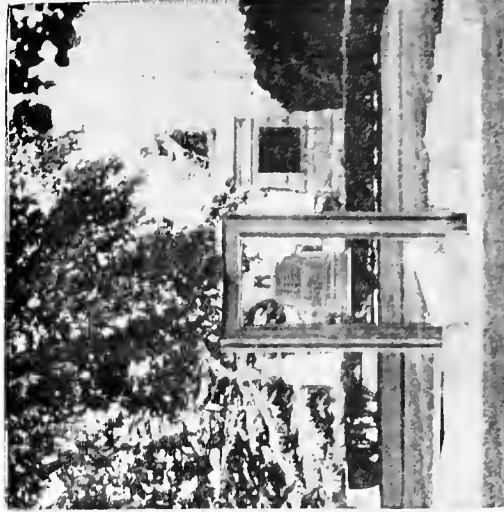
JIM STERLING will report for Infantry Training at Ft. Benning in September.

STEVE STRICKLER plans on attending W&L Law School this fall.

HAL SWITZER has been accepted as a chemist by the duPont Corp. He will report for duty at Ft. Bliss on the 27th of March 1969. In June of 1969 he will wed Miss Sandy Grimley in Haute de

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THIS BELL, captured during the Second World War by Marines under the command of General Lemuel C. Shephard, '17, and presented to the Institute in honor of her graduates, has been taken out of storage and raised in front of the NEB annex. The work was done by the Building and Grounds Department.

JOHN WARBURTON will walk down the aisle with Miss Anne C. Babbitt on the 29th of June in Allenstown, New Jersey. Until he reports for duty with the Air Force in September, John will work as a management trainee for the Penn Central Railroad in Wilmington, Delaware.

GREG WALL hopes to be a dentist major at MCV this fall.

DICK WALLACH will begin his career in the Army on the 19th of June when he reports to Ft. Knox for Armor training.

BOB WHARTON will work for Firestone Tire and Rubber Company in Richmond until he reports for Air Defense Artillery training at Ft. Bliss, Texas on the 24th of April, 1969.

BILL WARREN will marry Miss Christina Jo Skoczlas after he returns from USMC basic school at Quantico which will begin on June 10th.

LEW WHITE has been hired by the Division of Water Resources Department of Economic Development and Conservation, as a hydrologist. Lew will report to Ft. Sill on the 10th of June 1969 for Artillery training.

CHANDLER WILLIAMS will enter the Medical Corps on the 9th of September at Brooke Medical Center in San Antonio, Texas.

GUY WILSON will share nurseries with Miss Gloria Anne Jordan at MCV this fall.

BOB YURACHEK will be united in marriage with Miss Ann Somers Boaz on the 22nd of June in Richmond. Bob plans to enter Florida State University this fall to do graduate work in chemistry. He will work in Research and Development for the Albemarle Paper Co. in Richmond, Va. this summer.

BOB ZACHMAN will start Dental school at MCV this fall.

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